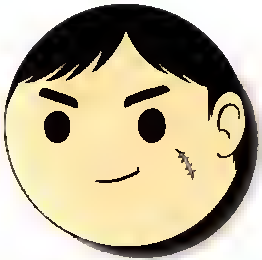

著者近影

よく考えるんだけど、どれか一丁選べって言われたら何にするかなって。そんトキの状況にもとるんだけど日本だとすると38か12番、223、308ってとこだろうね。やっぱ弾が無きゃね、手に入りやすいヤツでないと。

それで一丁選んでそれを使う状況になったとする。さて、どうするか？

とりあえず撃って、相手がどっかに隠れたら回れ右して逃げるだろうな、オレだったら。

そんな事になったら、やだなーとぼやーっと考えたりしてます。

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WINCHESTER
MODEL 1897 SHOTGUN（アメリカ）

全長	965mm
銃身長	508mm
重量	3300g
口径	2 ¾in（12GAUGE）
作動方式	ポンプアクション
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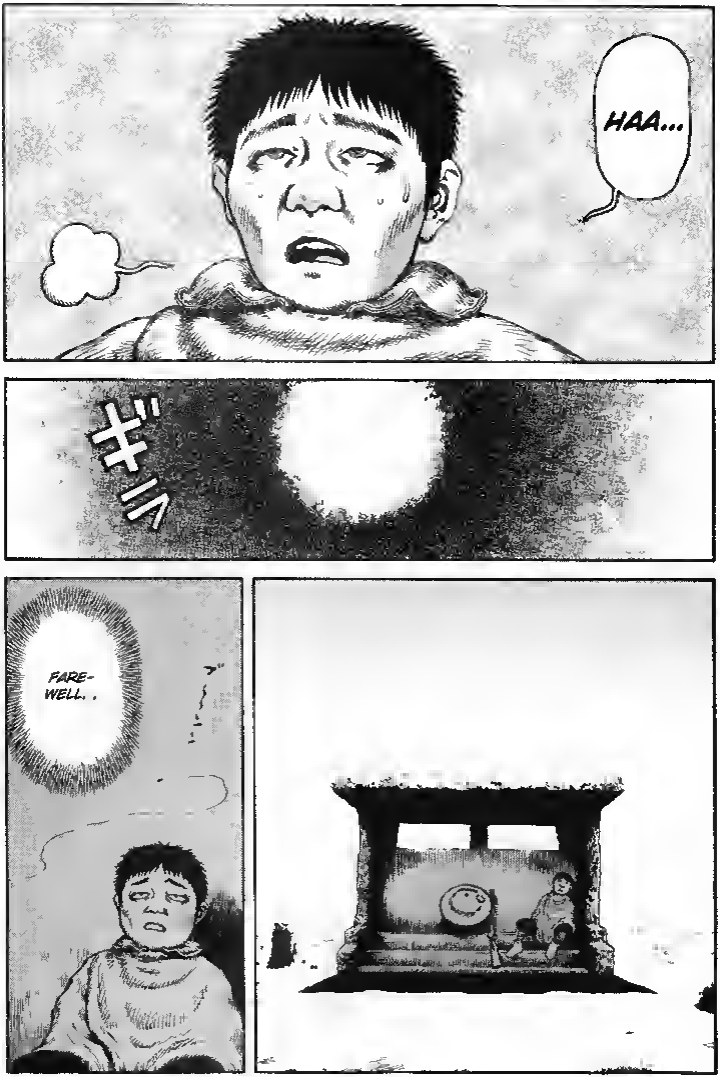
HAA...
ギリ
FARE-
WELL..

IT MAY BE THE LAST TIME YOU SEE ME...

Master!
JUNKOOO!
THANKS TO YOU, I MADE IT THROUGH ALIVE.
YOUR CHOICE OF STRATEGY WAS PROBABLY THE BEST. BUT. .
TO BE HONEST...
I END UP IN AN AWKWARD SITUATION.
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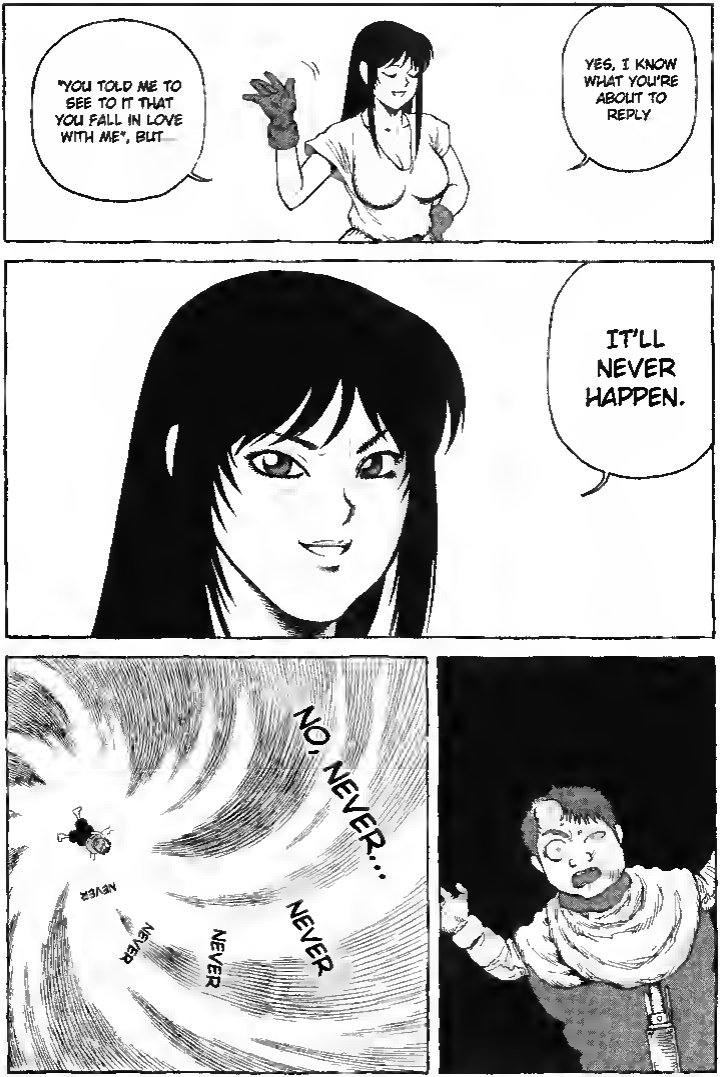
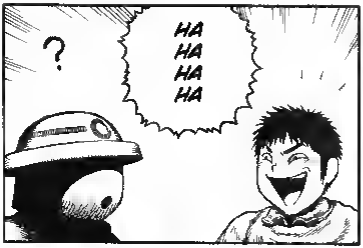
OH WELL, I'M NOT COMPLAINING TO YOU.
くる？
I KNOW YOU DID YOUR BEST.
IT'S JUST THAT...
YOU'RE AT YOUR LIMIT.


YES, I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE ABOUT TO REPLY
"YOU TOLD ME TO SEE TO IT THAT YOU FALL IN LOVE WITH ME", BUT—
IT'LL NEVER HAPPEN.
NO, NEVER...
NEVER
NEVER
NEVER

THE BIG BREASTED GIRL..
THE ONE YOU'RE DREAMING OF..
HI HI HI
HI HI
BIDS YOU FARE-WELL...
NOOOOOOO

HAA...
HAS SOMEONE EVER COME BACK FROM THERE?
SHE WAS TAKEN IN BY THE CRUEL DEMONS FROM THE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE.
YOU'LL NEVER SEE HER AGAIN.
I'M SICK OF SEEING YOU LIKE THIS. IT'S BEEN A WEEK NOW, PULL YOURSELF TOGETHER.
MASTER...

SURELY SHE'S FACING A HEROICAL DEATH UNDER TORTURE BY NOW
HIHIHI!
SHE HAD IT COMING!
YOU'RE STARTING TO GET ON MY NERVES
YOU'RE SO FREAKED OUT THAT YOU'RE CLINGING ON TO YOUR WEAPON
And you're wasting battery by staying in a hole for nothing
GET A HOLD OF YOURSELF! THERE'S WORK TO DO!
THE MISS BIG BOSOM YOU LOVE SO MUCH IS NO MORE
BUT...
WE DON'T KNOW WHEN THE GOVERNMENT WILL COME DOWN ON US
SHE'S GONNA TELL EVERYTHING SHE KNOWS ABOUT US ..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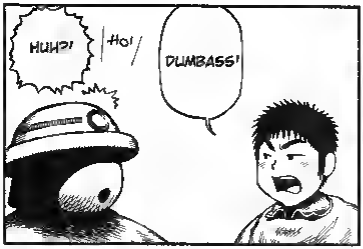
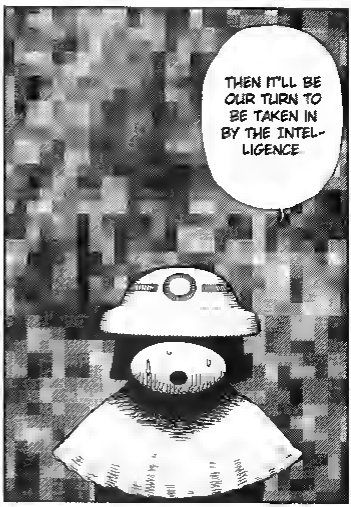
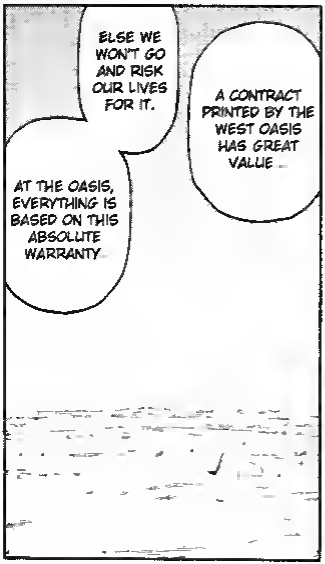
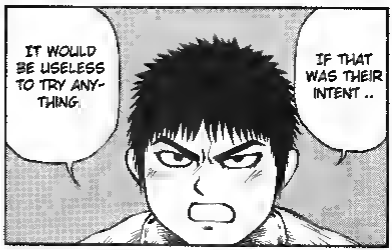
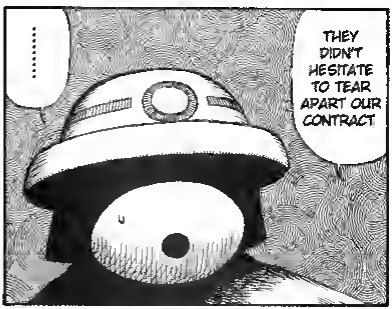
HA HA HA HA


HUH?!
HO!
DUMBASS!


THEN IT'LL BE OUR TURN TO BE TAKEN IN BY THE INTEL-LIGENCE


ELSE WE WON'T GO AND RISK OUR LIVES FOR IT.
A CONTRACT PRINTED BY THE WEST OASIS HAS GREAT VALUE..
AT THE OASIS, EVERYTHING IS BASED ON THIS ABSOLUTE WARRANTY.


IT WOULD BE USELESS TO TRY ANY-THING.
IF THAT WAS THEIR INTENT..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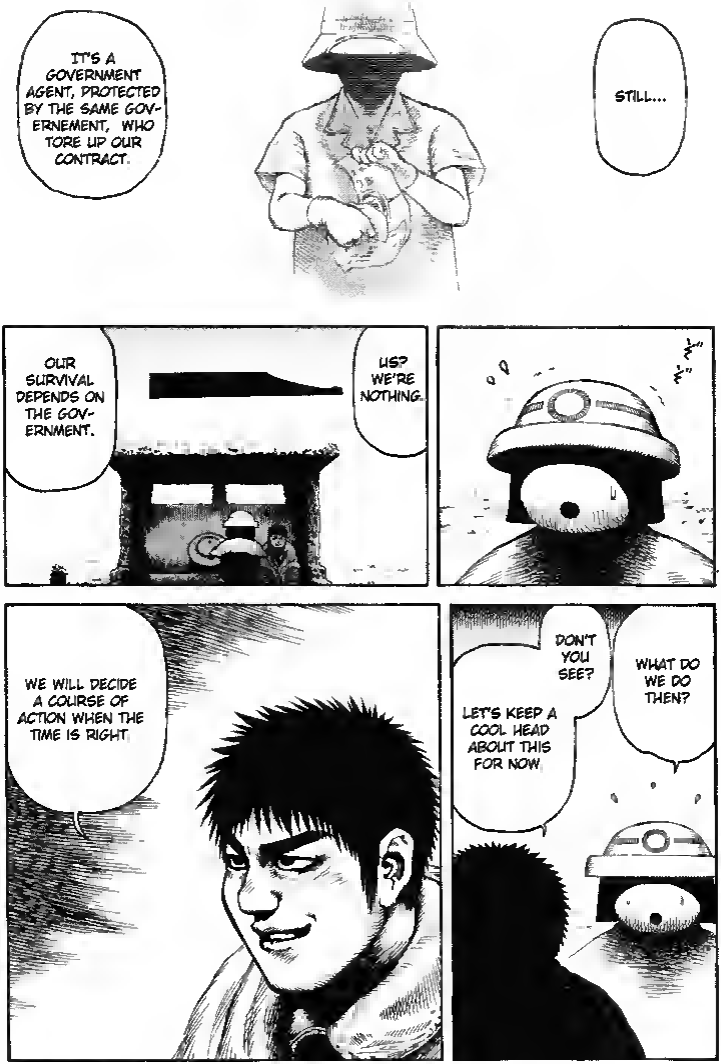
THEY DIDN'T HESITATE TO TEAR APART OUR CONTRACT.

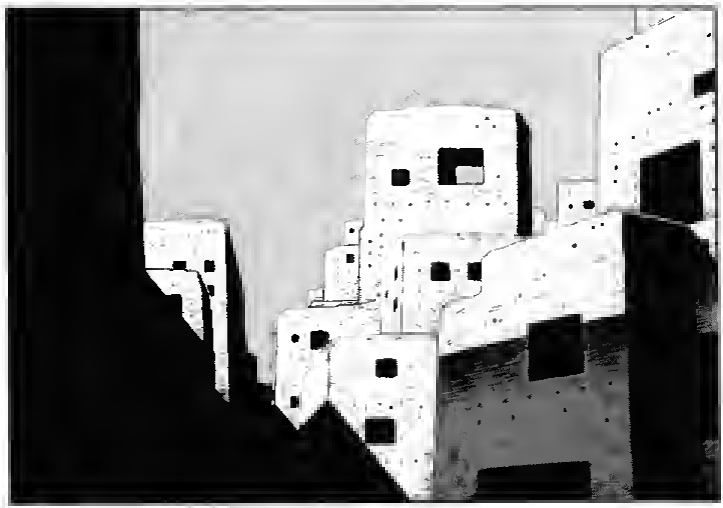

IT'S A GOVERNMENT AGENT, PROTECTED BY THE SAME GOVERNEMENT, WHO TORE UP OUR CONTRACT.
STILL...
OUR SURVIVAL DEPENDS ON THE GOVERNMENT.
US? WE'RE NOTHING.
WE WILL DECIDE A COURSE OF ACTION WHEN THE TIME IS RIGHT.
LET'S KEEP A COOL HEAD ABOUT THIS FOR NOW.
DON'T YOU SEE?
WHAT DO WE DO THEN?

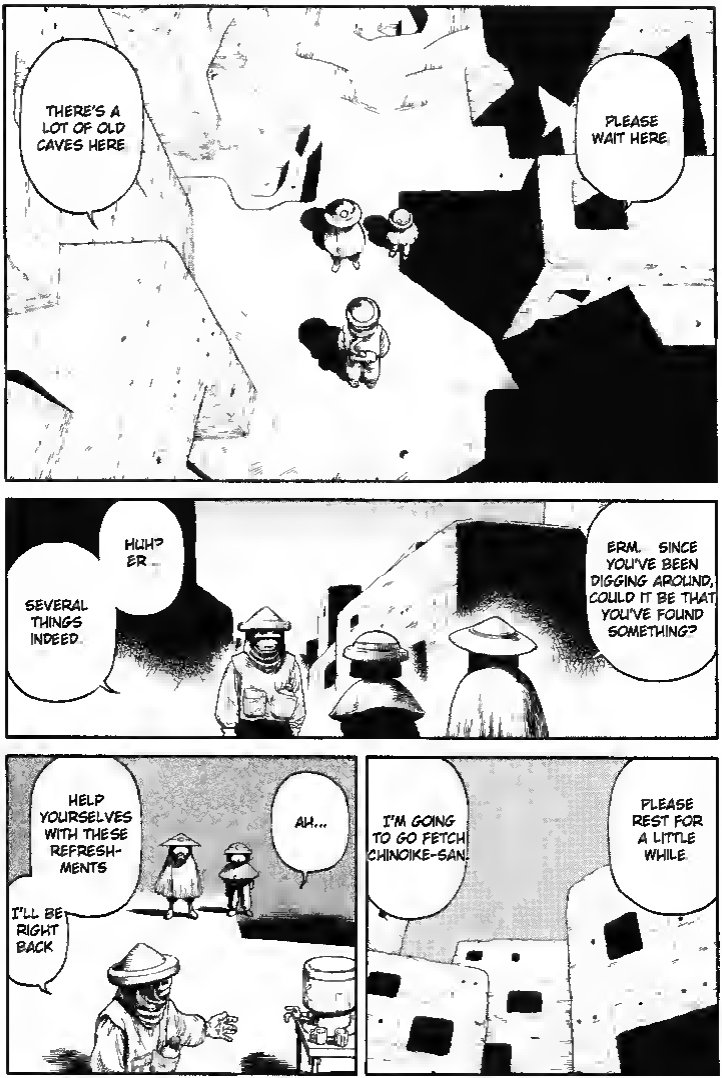
!?
ARE YOU SUNABO-ZU FROM MUGENYA?
YOU'RE FROM CHINOIKE-SAN'S DIGGING TEAM ?

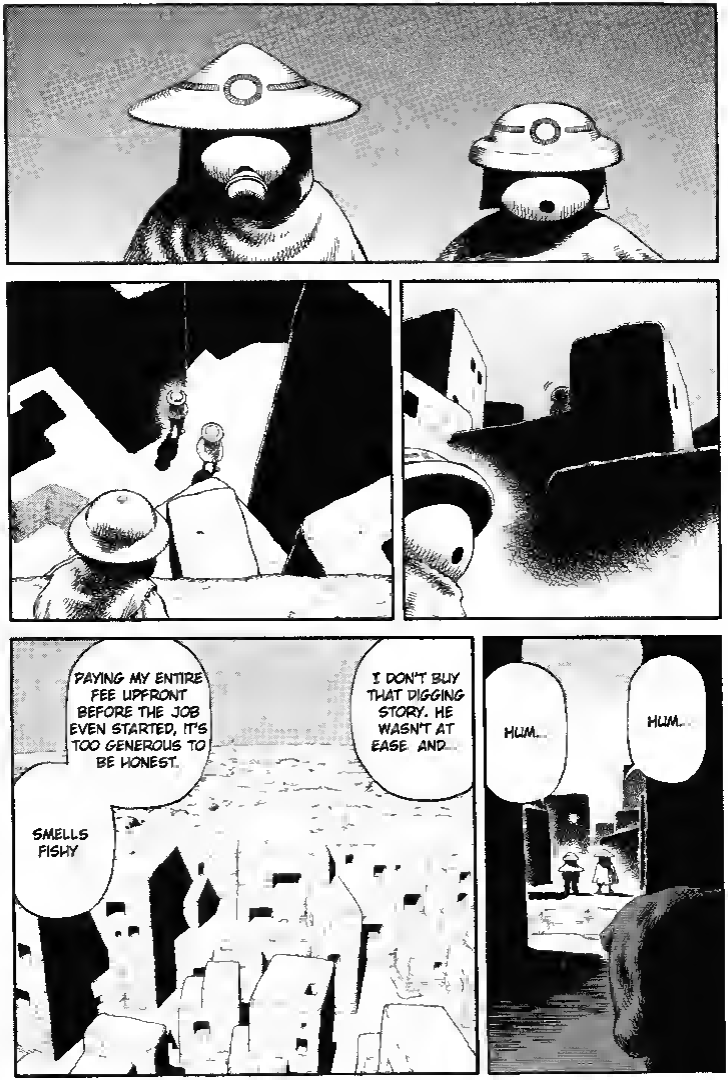
HA HA HA HA HA
AND A GREAT ONE IT IS. EVERYONE IN THE KANTO DESERT KNOWS ABOUT YOU

IT'S ONLY NATURAL, WITH THE ECONOMICAL CRISIS AND I HAVE A REPUTATION TO UPHOLD.
YES THANKS FOR COMING FROM THIS FAR

I'LL BE RIGHT BEHIND YOU.
ALRIGHT, LET'S GO THEN

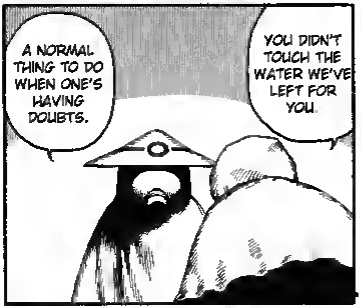



THERE'S A LOT OF OLD CAVES HERE
PLEASE WAIT HERE
HUH? ER...
SEVERAL THINGS INDEED
ERM. SINCE YOU'VE BEEN DIGGING AROUND, COULD IT BE THAT YOU'VE FOUND SOMETHING?
HELP YOURSELVES WITH THESE REFRESH-MENTS
I'LL BE RIGHT BACK
AH...
I'M GOING TO GO FETCH CHINOIKE-SAN.
PLEASE REST FOR A LITTLE WHILE

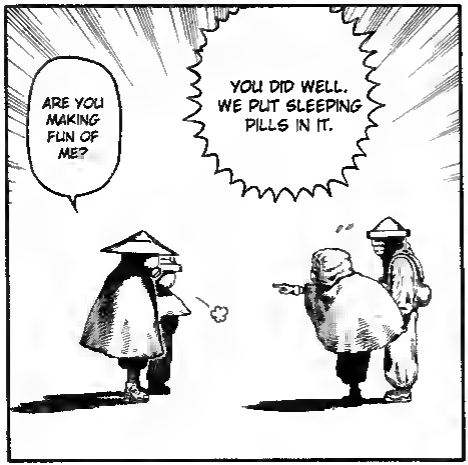

PAYING MY ENTIRE FEE UPFRONT BEFORE THE JOB EVEN STARTED, IT'S TOO GENEROUS TO BE HONEST.
I DON'T BUY THAT DIGGING STORY. HE WASN'T AT EASE AND...
SMELLS FISHY
HUM...
HUM...

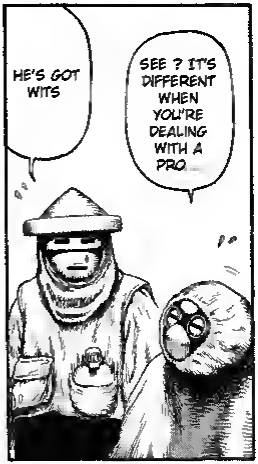
HELLO.
SUNABO-ZU.
THANKS FOR COMING.
I'M CHINOIKE. A PLEASURE TO MEET YOU
HMM...
ALRIGHT THEN...
I'VE HAD AN UNPLEASANT EXPERIENCE IN THE PAST BECAUSE OF SOME CONTAMINATED WATER.
YOU DIDN'T DRINK

AH...
I WAS RIGHT.
I LIED TO YOU. WE'RE NOT LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TO PROTECT US DURING THE DIGS.


A NORMAL THING TO DO WHEN ONE'S HAVING DOUBTS.
YOU DIDN'T TOUCH THE WATER WE'VE LEFT FOR YOU.

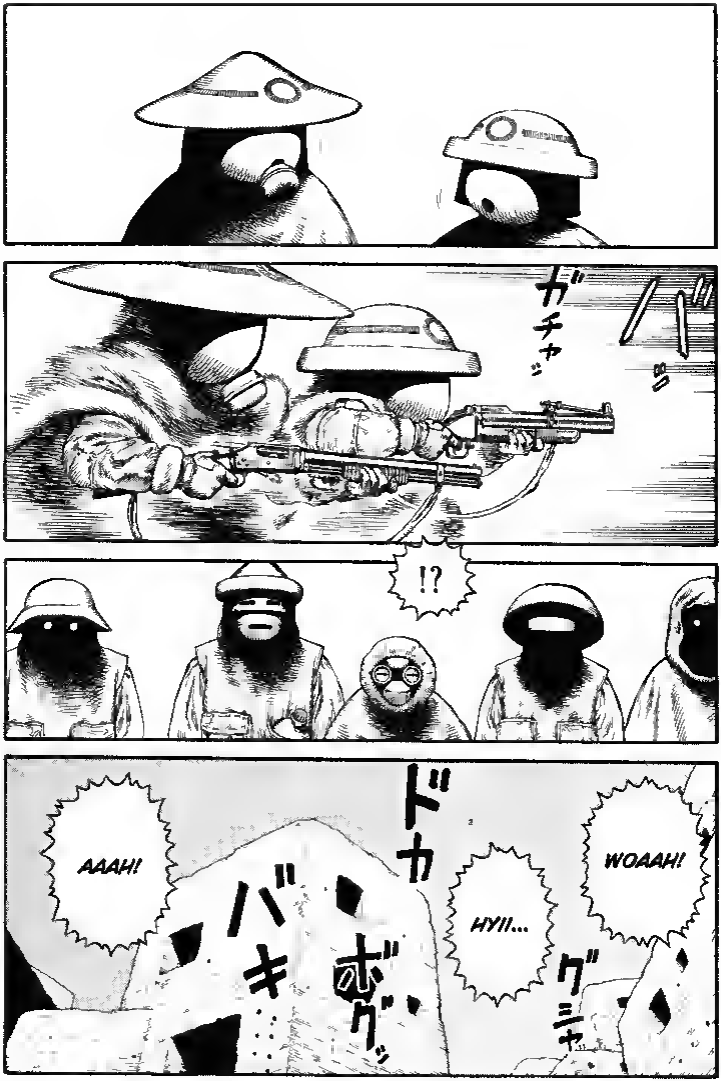
I FOUND THAT STORY TO BE STRANGE.
HOW COME? DID YOU HAVE DOUBTS?


ARE YOU MAKING FUN OF ME?
YOU DID WELL. WE PUT SLEEPING PILLS IN IT.


HE'S GOT WITS
SEE ? IT'S DIFFERENT WHEN YOU'RE DEALING WITH A PRO.

BUT YOU WENT TOO FAR.
I'M BEING PATIENT ONLY BECAUSE I'VE BEEN PAID.
NO WAY! YOU NOTICED?!
I THOUGHT OF GOING BACK EVERYTHING WAS ODD. FOR INSTANCE BEING FOLLOWED WITH SUCH A LACK OF DISCRETION
HEY, COME HERE! YOU'VE BEEN SPOTTED.
WE WERE WRONG.
Please accept our apologies.
NO... WAIT...
AND WITH SUCH A REPUTATION THE BEST OF THE BEST.
IT'S THE FIRST TIME WE MEET A DESERT MERCENARY
WE WERE GUIDED BY FEAR.
AH, I'M SO SORRY...

NOT EVEN CLOSE.
OBVIOUSLY IT WAS AMATEUR WORK
OUR INTENTION WAS TO SEDATE AND TIE YOU DOWN
.....
RUMORS SAY THAT YOU'RE A DEVIL, THAT YOU'RE VIOLENT AND READY TO DO ANYTHING TO GET THE JOB DONE, RAPING WOMEN, EATING CHILDREN'S HEART, BURNING VILLAGES AND SHOOTING ON EVERYTHING THAT MOVES WITHOUT HESITATION...
...!?
EVEN THE GREAT SUNABO-ZU CAN BE POWERLESS AGAINST THE AUTHORITIES.
HOWEVER.
THE GOVERNMENT TOOK YOUR BOUNTY AND THE WOMAN YOU LOVE.
YOU HAD IT ROUGH NOT SO LONG AGO, HADN'T YOU?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WOAAH!
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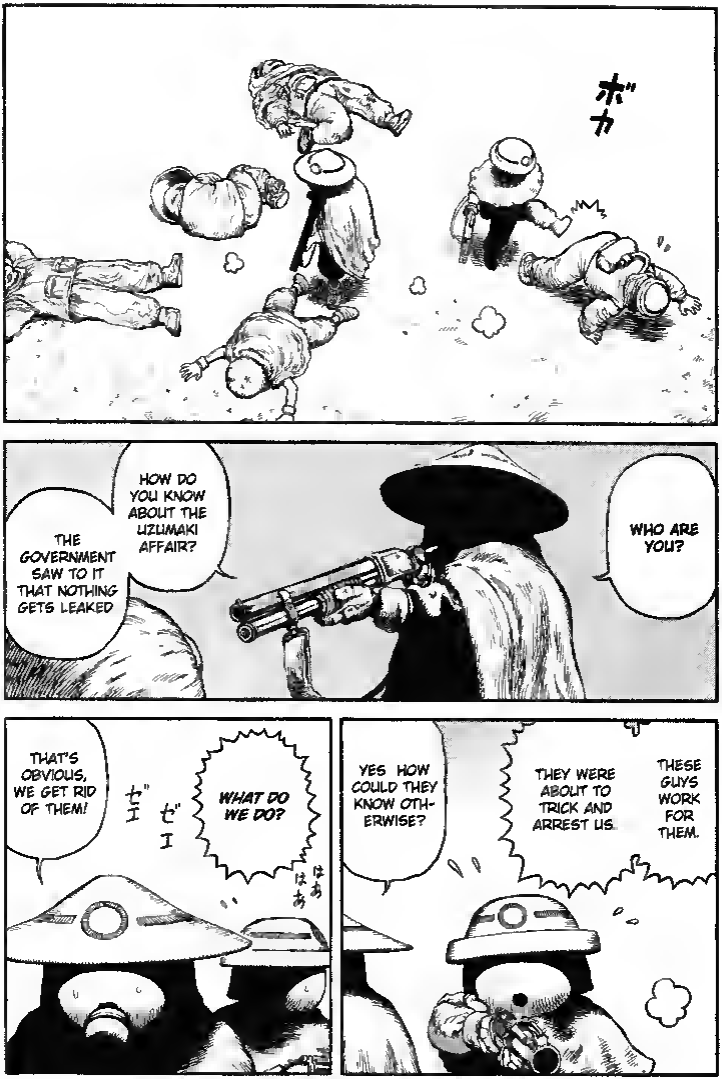
ボカ
WHO ARE YOU?
HOW DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE UZUMAKI AFFAIR?
THE GOVERNMENT SAW TO IT THAT NOTHING GETS LEAKED
THESE GUYS WORK FOR THEM.
THEY WERE ABOUT TO TRICK AND ARREST US.
YES HOW COULD THEY KNOW OTHERWISE?
WHAT DO WE DO?
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はあ はあ
THAT'S OBVIOUS, WE GET RID OF THEM!

WOUAAH...
STOP!
YOU MURDER-ERS!
NO! YOU'RE MISUNDER-STANDING!
ONE SHOT OF 40MM WILL BE ENOUGH TO TURN THEM INTO ASHES
ドキ
ドキ
ドキ
HI HI HI HI
YOU'RE MAKING A MISTAKE!
SO FAR, IT'S NOT A CRIME.
A CRIME BECOMES A CRIME WHEN IT IS KNOWN
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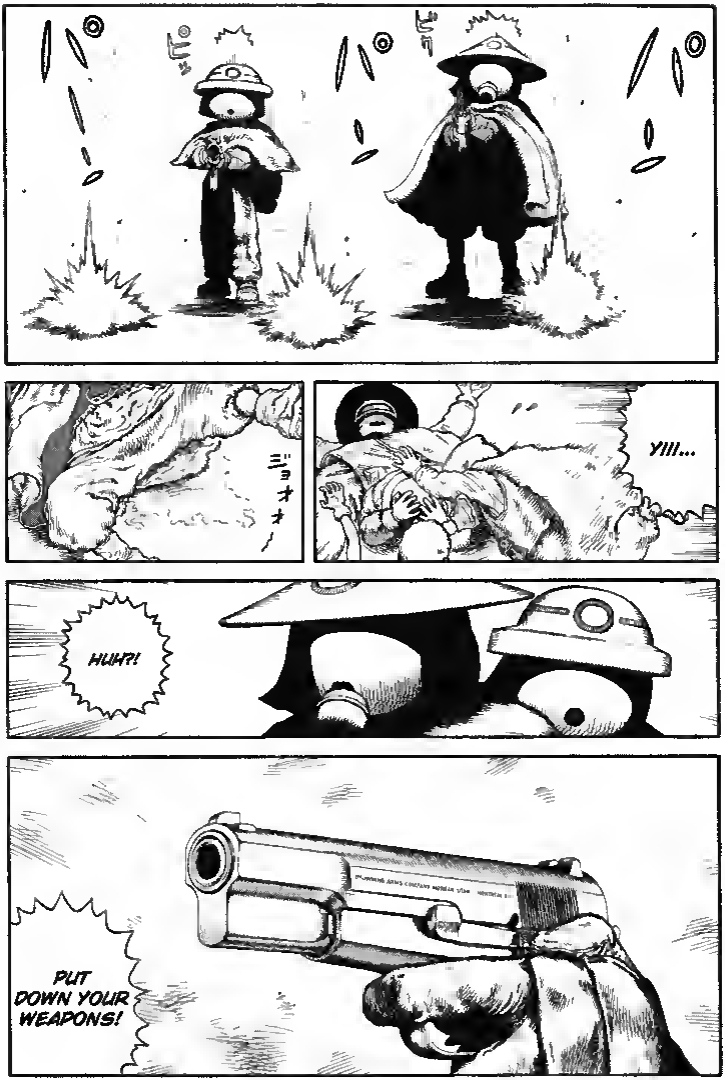
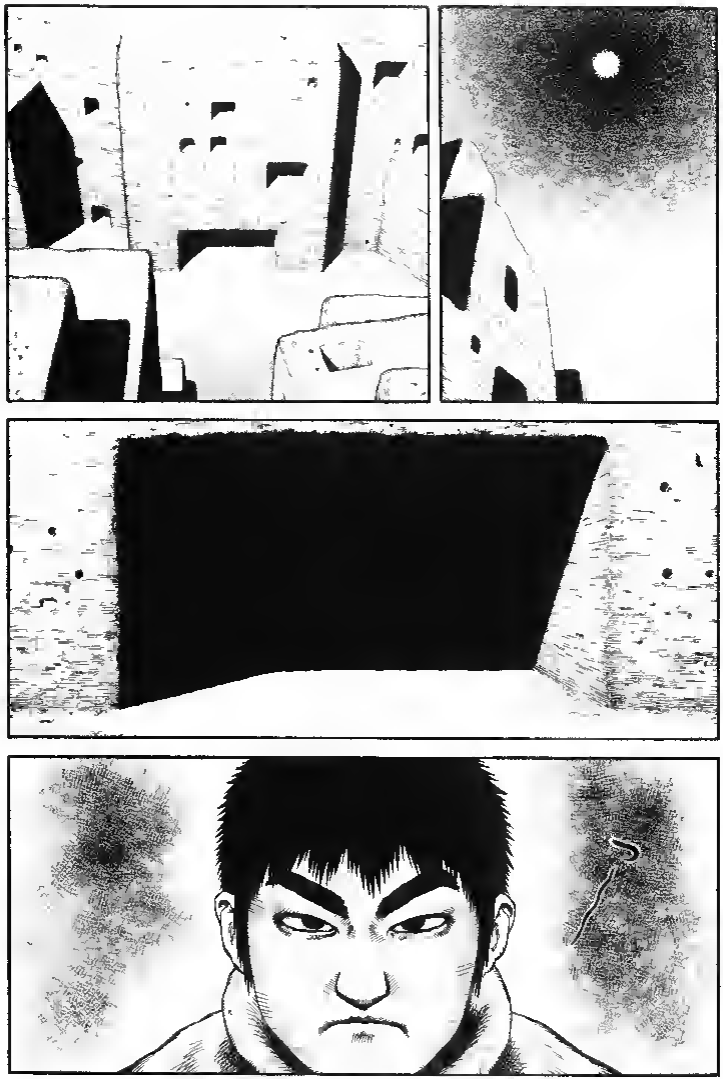
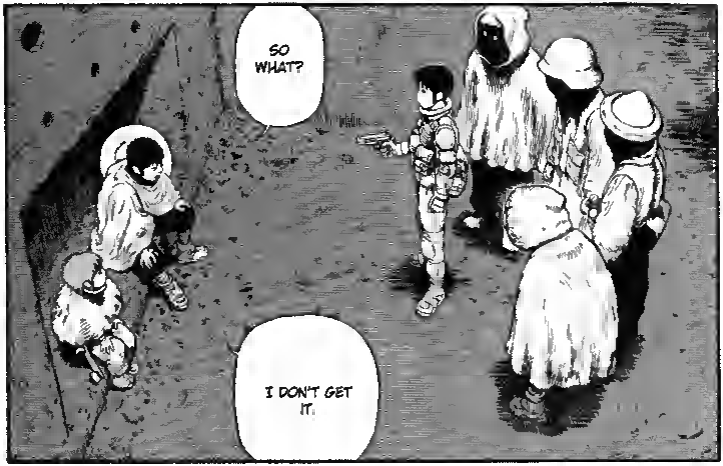

ジョオオー
YIII...
HUH?!
PUT DOWN YOUR WEAPONS!

NATSUKO!
♡
ピョーン
AH!
THROW DOWN YOUR WEAPON!
ホイ
ホイ
ホイ
ガチャ

.....
AH, NATSUKO!
I HOPE YOU'VE UNDERSTOOD HOW DANGEROUS THEY CAN BE.
ABSOLUTELY.
IT'S FORTUNATE YOU FOLLOWED US DISCREETLY
MY APOLOGIES
YOU KNOW I WAS AGAINST THIS!
IN THESE CONDITIONS, WE'VE GOT NO CHOICE.
GOOD...




SO WHAT?
I DON'T GET IT.

HI HI
WHAT ARE YOU AFFRAID OF?
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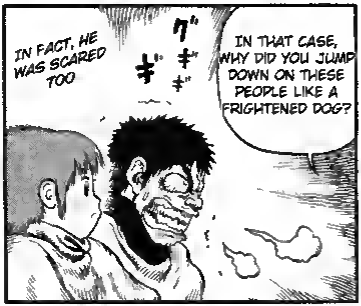
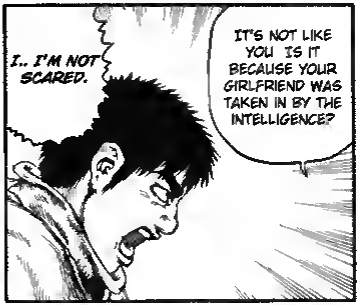
I CAN'T TELL ANYTHING YET.
YOU'RE NOT HERE TO ARREST US, ARE YOU?
WHAT!?


IN FACT, HE WAS SCARED TOO
IN THAT CASE, WHY DID YOU JUMP DOWN ON THESE PEOPLE LIKE A FRIGHTENED DOG?


I.. I'M NOT SCARED.
IT'S NOT LIKE YOU IS IT BECAUSE YOUR GIRLFRIEND WAS TAKEN IN BY THE INTELLIGENCE?

WHY ARE YOU HERE?
WHAT IS THE SPECIAL TASKFORCE DOING HERE?
IS THE GOVERNMENT IN TROUBLE AGAIN?
.....
ERM... WE ACTED WITH TOO MUCH HASTE, WRONGLY.
RECENTLY, THE GOVERNMENT WAS HARSH WITH HIM, WE THOUGHT HE HAD A GRIEF AGAINST THEM...
AND THAT WE OUGHT TO GRASP THIS OPPORTUNITY
ON THE CONTRARY, IT WAS A BAD TIME TO APPROACH HIM. HIS NERVOSITY ONLY INCREASED.
FORTUNATELY, YOU HAD ONLY A CLOSE SHAVE
ABSOLUTELY
THANKS TO YOUR INTERVENTION
WE'RE SUCH A BOTHER TO YOU
SO.. WHAT DO YOU WANT FROM ME?
Spit it out already!
ALRIGHT, I'LL TELL YOU EVERYTHING

EH?
WILL YOU BECOME ONE OF US?
ALSO, YOU HAVE A LOT OF ACQUAINTANCES
YOU HAVE, AMONG OTHER THINGS, QUITE A REPUTATION AND THIS SEEMED TO BE THE MORE TIMELY MOMENT TO CONVINCE YOU
WE'RE LOOKING FOR AN EFFICIENT PERSON
You think so?
WE'RE NOT ATHLETES, BUT WE'RE FAR FROM BEING IDIOTS
EEH?!
IF HE REFUSES TO COME WITH US, SO BE IT. HE'LL DIE
You're gonna kill him?
YOU WILL KNOW EVERYTHING AS SOON AS YOU AGREE TO HELP US
ABOUT WHAT?
WHAT DO YOU SAY?
WHAT?!

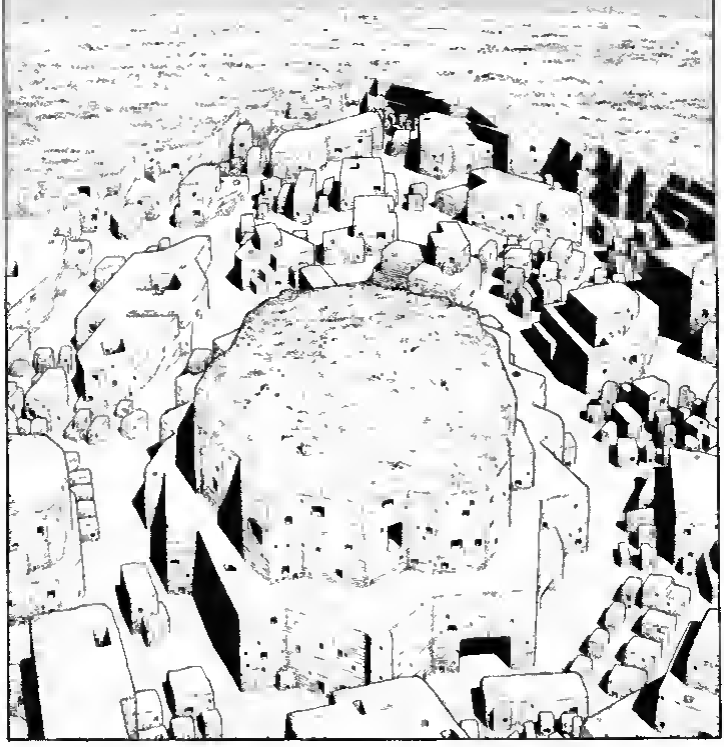
NA... NATSUKO...
WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME IF I WERE TO BE YOUR FRIEND ?
OK, SO...
MAS-TER!
MAY-BE I'LL HEAR YOU OUT
BUT SINCE NATSUKO IS HERE
WELL...
IF I HAD TO LISTEN ONLY TO SOME GEEZERS, I WOULDN'T GIVE A SHIT
HUM...

!!?
30 MILLION YEN!
NO SHIT!
HM...
I WANT AT LEAST 10 MILLION YEN!
YOU'LL HAVE 30
!!?
HYAA..
WAH! KAN-CHAN!
AS A RECOMPENSE, I'LL BE YOURS
I'LL DO ANYTHING YOU WANT.
YOU'LL SEE JUNKO ASAGIRI AGAIN.
ER, WHAT ?
AND AS A BONUS...

IT'S POSSIBLE ?!
She's staying stone-faced.
JUNKO'S INSIDE THE OASIS.
YOU THINK I'M SOME KIND OF IDIOT?
WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU, OF COURSE.
IF WE HELP THESE PEOPLE, ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE
A scission
A SCISSION OCCURED INSIDE THE GOVERNMENT
SHE'S NOT THE UPRIGHT GIRL I KNEW.
WHAT DOES NATSUKO WANT?
BUT...
Who are these geezers ?
A VERY BAD FEELING ABOUT THIS.
I'VE GOT...

AL-
RIGHT...
WHAT DO
YOU WANT
TO DO?

Could Sunabo-Zu and Taiko be involved in some terrible adventure?



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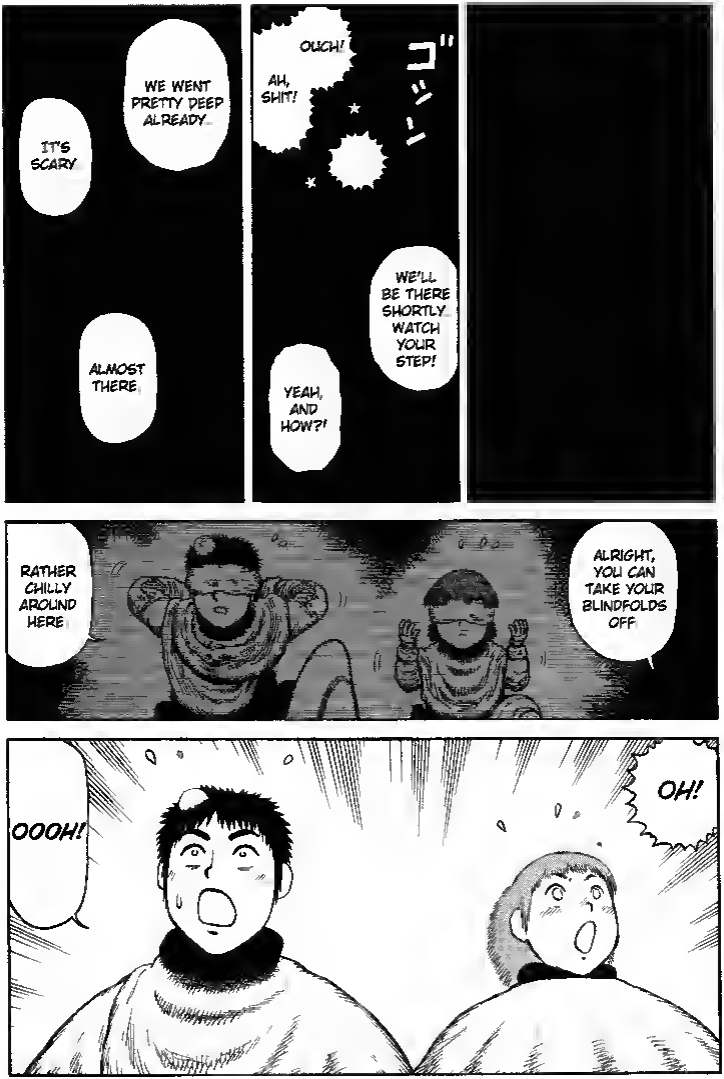
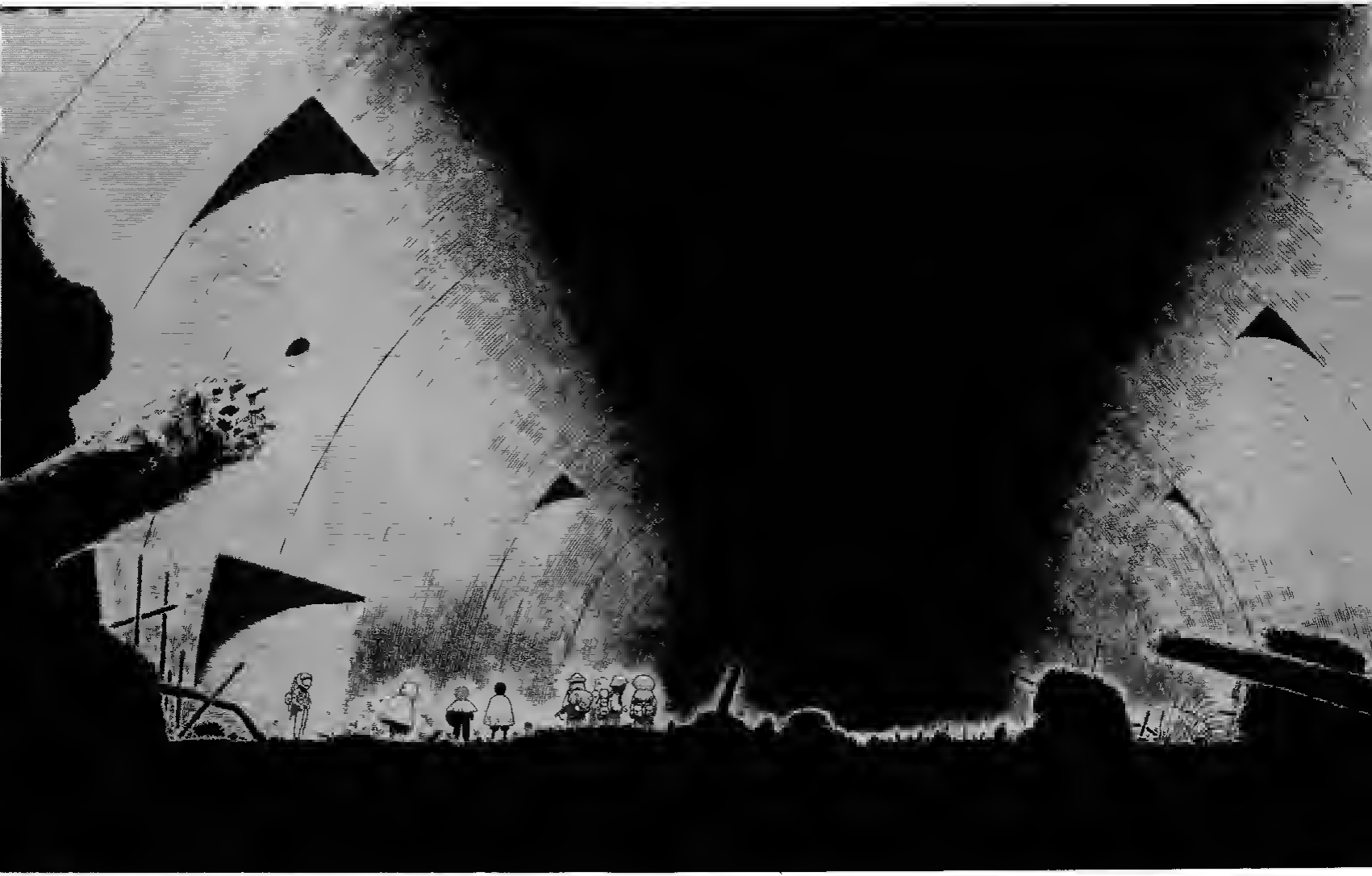
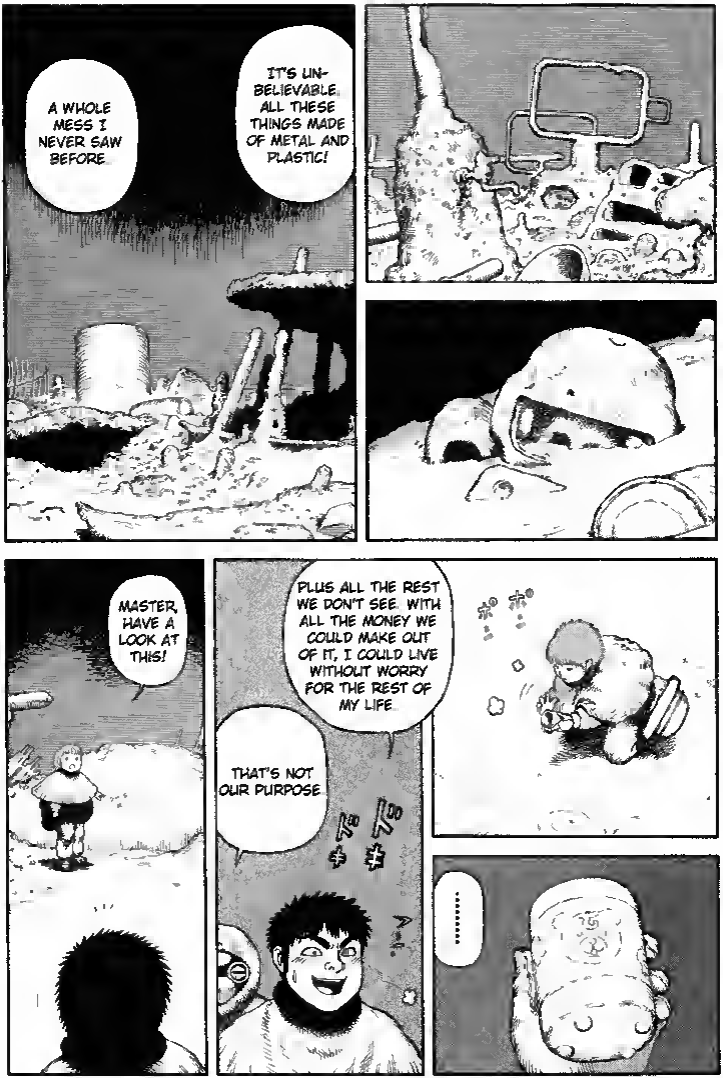

IT'S SCARY
WE WENT PRETTY DEEP ALREADY...
ALMOST THERE.
OUCH!
AH, SHIT!
WE'LL BE THERE SHORTLY. WATCH YOUR STEP!
YEAH, AND HOW?!
RATHER CHILLY AROUND HERE.
ALRIGHT, YOU CAN TAKE YOUR BLINDFOLDS OFF.
OOOH!
OH!



WHERE ARE WE?
SUCH A VAST THING UNDERGROUND?!
IMPRESSIVE, EH? THIS IS OUR DISCOVERY
WE'RE 300M BELOW THE SURFACE
THE LEGENDARY CITY OF THE ANKOKU ERA
!?
LEGENDARY?
.....
THE GOVERNMENT DOESN'T KNOW ABOUT THIS PLACE
WE'RE THE ONLY ONES WHO KNOW IT
.....
Government agent →


A WHOLE MESS I NEVER SAW BEFORE
IT'S UNBELIEVABLE. ALL THESE THINGS MADE OF METAL AND PLASTIC!
MASTER, HAVE A LOOK AT THIS!
PLUS ALL THE REST WE DON'T SEE. WITH ALL THE MONEY WE COULD MAKE OUT OF IT, I COULD LIVE WITHOUT WORRY FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE
THAT'S NOT OUR PURPOSE
A.I.
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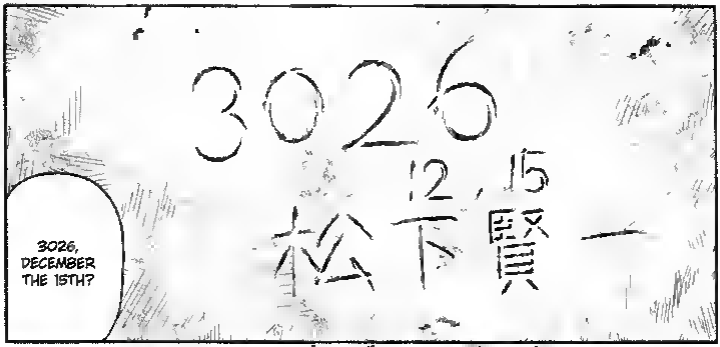

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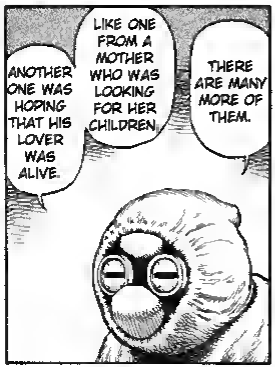
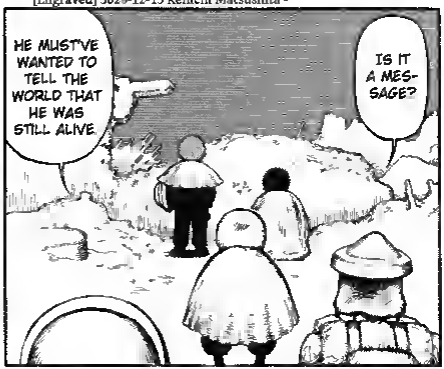
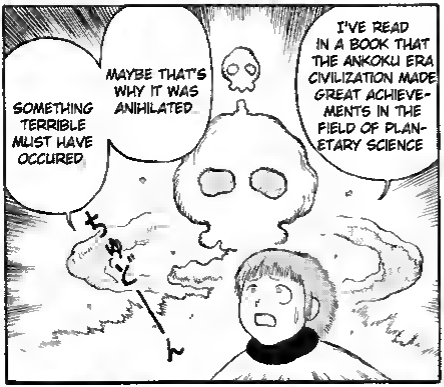

ANOTHER ONE WAS HOPING THAT HIS LOVER WAS ALIVE.
LIKE ONE FROM A MOTHER WHO WAS LOOKING FOR HER CHILDREN.
THERE ARE MANY MORE OF THEM.




I'VE READ IN A BOOK THAT THE ANKOKU ERA CIVILIZATION MADE GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE FIELD OF PLANETARY SCIENCE
MAYBE THAT'S WHY IT WAS ANIHILATED
SOMETHING TERRIBLE MUST HAVE OCCURED
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WHAT COULD HAVE HAPPENED?
WELL... IN ANY CASE, A LOT OF PEOPLE DIED HERE

DID MR MATSUSHITA EVENTUALLY FIND HIS FAMILY?
AH.. ALL OF THIS HAPPENED SO LONG AGO

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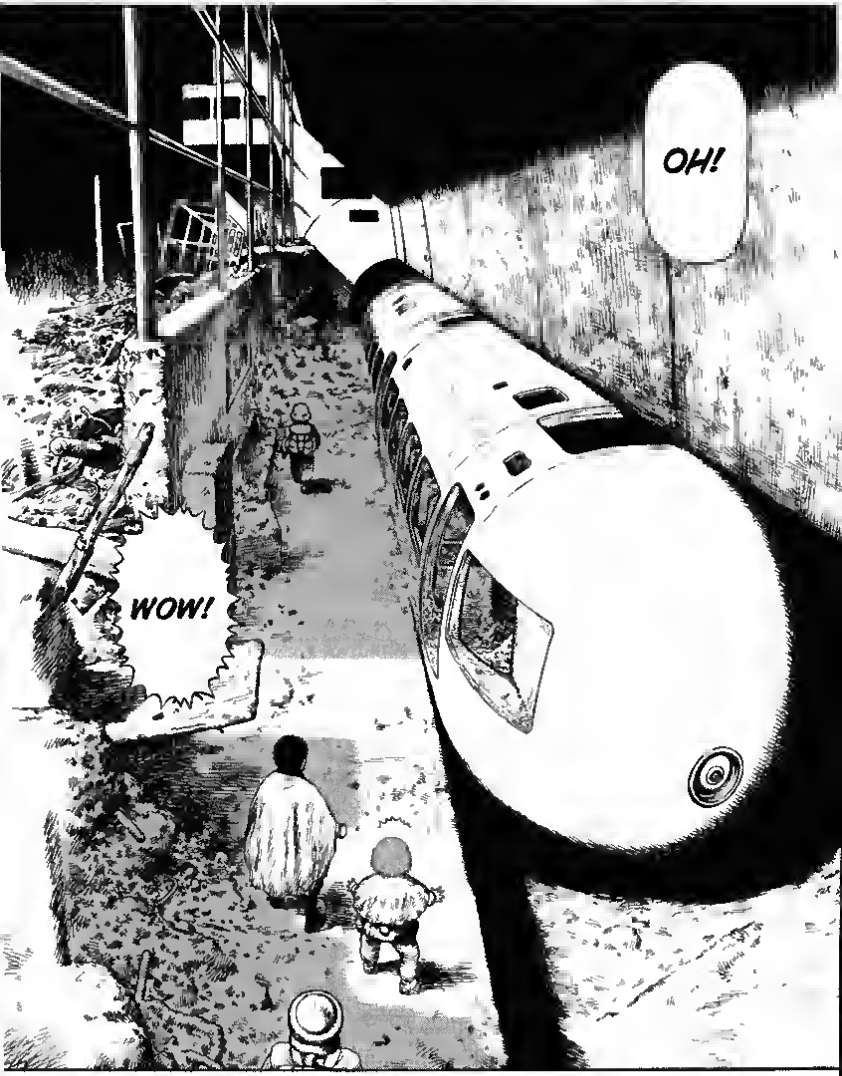
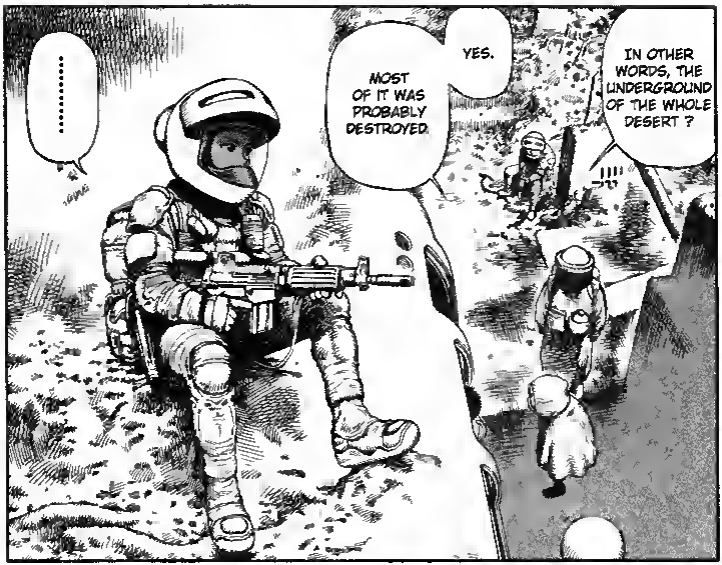

OH!
WOW!

WOAH, AWESOME!
IMPOSING
YES, I SAW ONE OF THESE IN A BOOK
IT'S A...
A TRAIN!
EX-ACTLY!
I'VE BEEN WORKING ON THIS RE-SEARCH FOR MANY YEARS
IS THAT SO?
THIS UN-DERGROUND CITY WAS IMPORTANT?
COULD IT MEAN THAT...
IN-DEED IT WAS
AROUND THE END OF THE ANKOKU ERA, IT COVERED...
ABOUT THE SAME AREA AS THE KANTO VALLEY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YES.
MOST OF IT WAS PROBABLY DESTROYED.
IN OTHER WORDS, THE UNDERGROUND OF THE WHOLE DESERT ?
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MMH...

DIDN'T TURN OUT WELL FOR THIS ONE, EH?

I DON'T KNOW WHAT ACTUALLY HAPPENED.
IT SEEMS THE INHABITANTS MANAGED TO ESCAPE ONLY THROUGH THE SUBTERRANEAN FACILITIES

SOME PEOPLE WENT THROUGH GREAT LENGTHS TO DIG IN WHAT TURNS OUT TO BE A GIGANTIC GRAVEYARD.
ALRIGHT, I'VE SEEN A LOT OF INTERESTING THINGS...
BUT WHAT ABOUT JUNKO?
ONCE IN THE OASIS, WE'LL SEE TO IT THAT YOU CAN MEET HER.
I COULD JUST SHOVE OFF.
I WOULD KILL YOU.
CALM DOWN, CALM DOWN!
IT'S ALL WELL AND GOOD, BUT...

YOU CAN'T ESCAPE
WHAT?!
BETWEEN THE RUINS OUTSIDE AND THE UNDERGROUND CITY, IT'S JUST A NETWORK OF TUNNELS AND CAVES. A REAL LABYRINTH OF ROCK.
AND IT'S WITHOUT TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE MODIFICATIONS WE MADE. A NOVICE CAN'T MAKE IT OUT OF THERE.
FURTHER-MORE, YOU WERE BLIND-FOLDED.
IF YOU FOOLISHLY TRY TO FLEE, YOU WILL DIE.
SO WHY NOT LISTEN TO THE REST OF IT?
YOU DON'T HAVE ANY WEAPON EITHER.
I WON'T DIE.
YOU AL-READY...
WENT TO THE OASIS, DIDN'T YOU?
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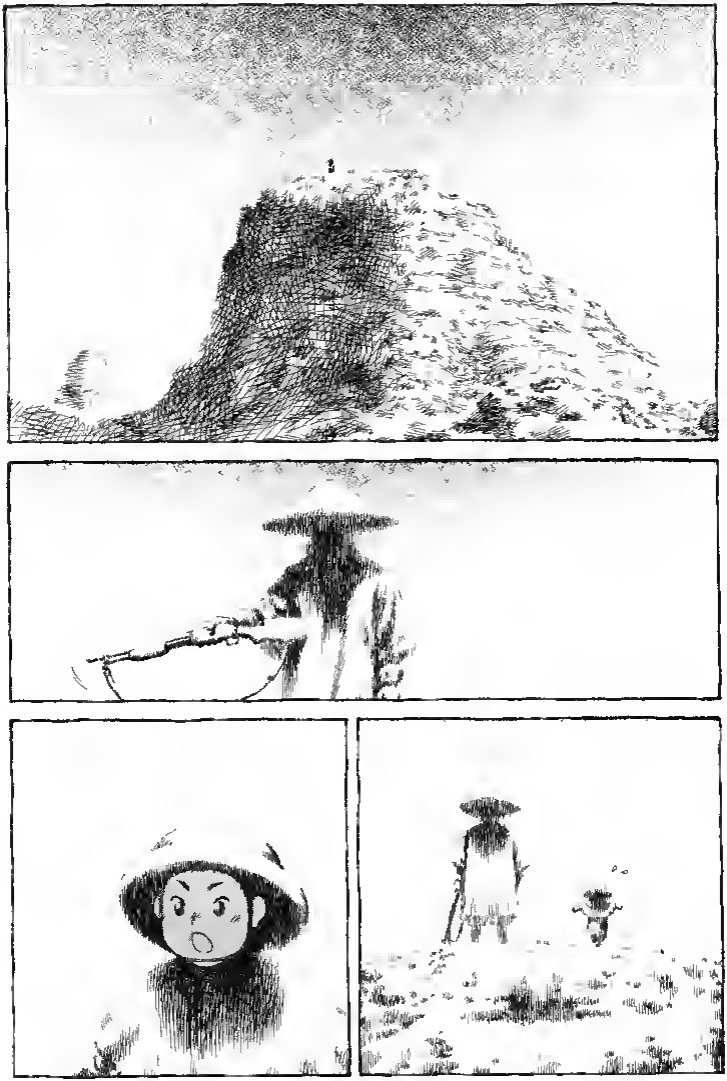
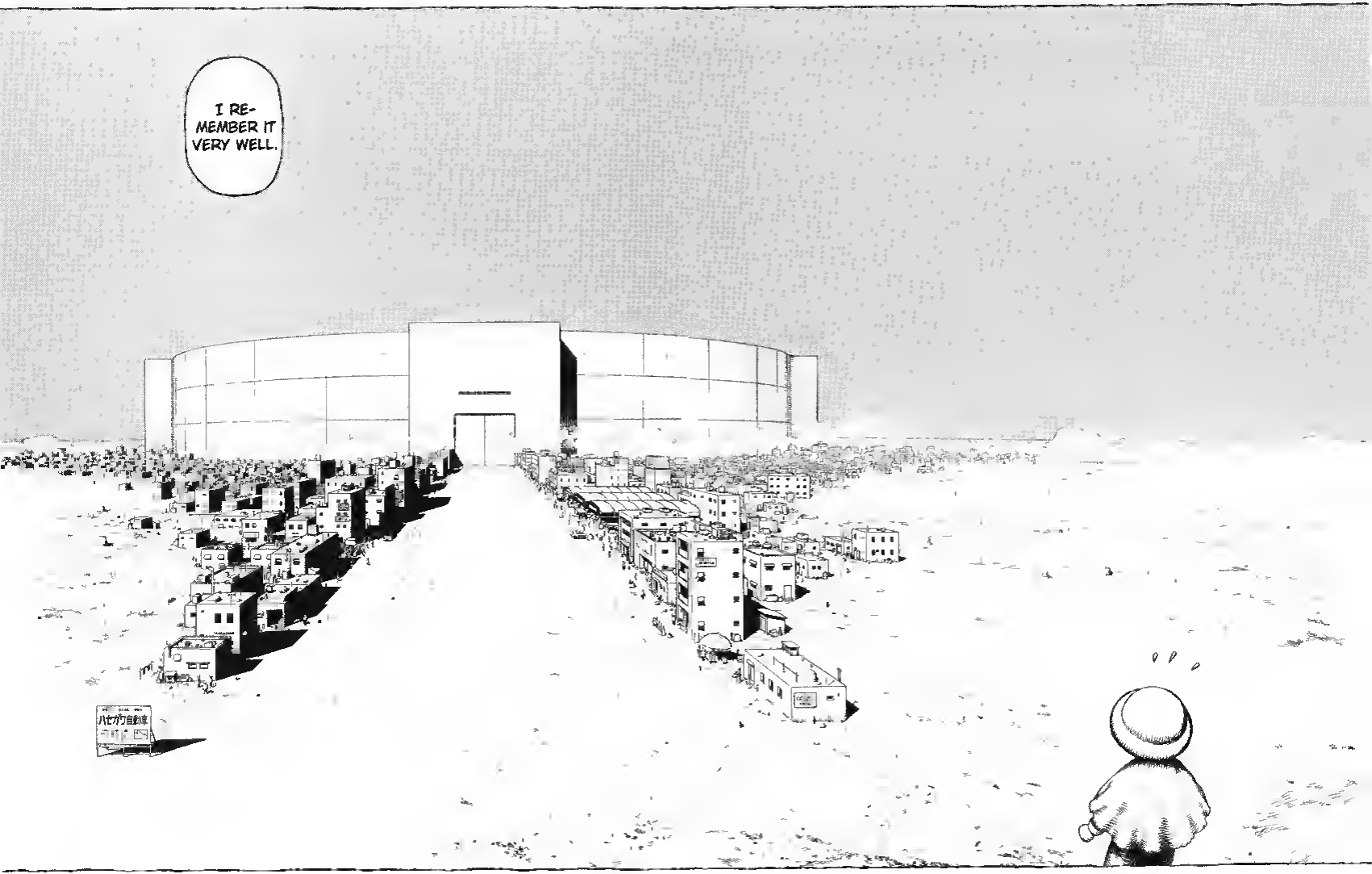
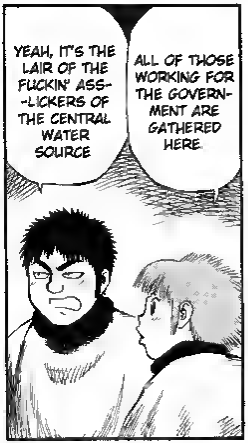
MY FATHER TOOK ME THERE ONCE WHEN I WAS A KID.
WELL, JUST TO THE EN-TRANCE.




I RE-
MEMBER IT
VERY WELL.

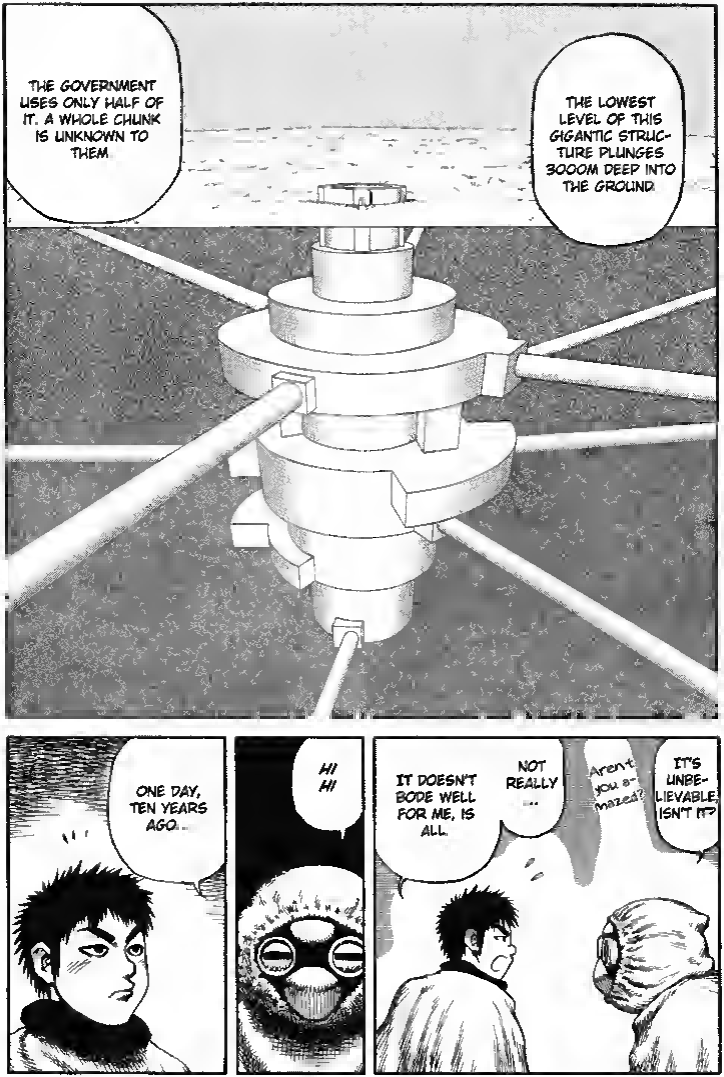
A LOT OF SELLERS WERE TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THIS PRIVILEGED LOCATION TO MAKE MONEY
THE ENTRANCE DOOR WAS HUGE, REALLY IMPRESSIVE
SO MASSIVE I FELT DIZZY

OH YEAH?
ER WE LIVE THERE AS WELL


YEAH, IT'S THE LAIR OF THE FUCKIN' ASS-LICKERS OF THE CENTRAL WATER SOURCE
ALL OF THOSE WORKING FOR THE GOVERNMENT ARE GATHERED HERE

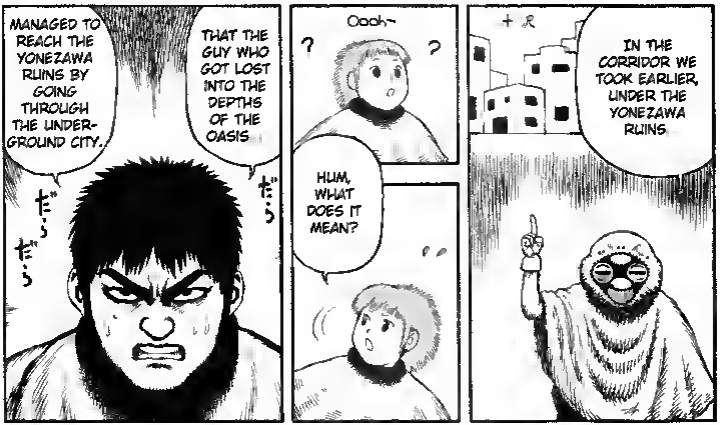
DO YOU KNOW THE LAYOUT OF THE IN-DOOR OASIS?
ANYWAY

A SUBTERRANEAN CITY?
NO?
.....
IT WAS A BIG SUBTERRANEAN CITY.
ER... I HEARD THAT..
EVEN THE GOVERNMENT ITSELF IS OVERWELMED BY ITS SIZE
A GIGANTIC SUBTERRANEAN CITY
THE WEST GOVERNMENT SITS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE BIG UNDERGROUND RUINS OF THE ANKOKU ERA
THAT'S UNDERSTANDABLE.


THE GOVERNMENT USES ONLY HALF OF IT. A WHOLE CHUNK IS UNKNOWN TO THEM.
THE LOWEST LEVEL OF THIS GIGANTIC STRUCTURE PLUNGES 3000M DEEP INTO THE GROUND.
ONE DAY, TEN YEARS AGO...
HI! HI!
IT DOESN'T BODE WELL FOR ME, IS ALL.
NOT REALLY...
Aren't you amazed?
IT'S UNBELIEVABLE, ISN'T IT?

A LAND SURVEYOR GOT LOST INTO THE DEEPEST PART OF THE OASIS
CONSIDERING THE NUMBER OF CAVES THAT OVERLAP WITH ONE ANOTHER, THE UNFATHOMABLE PITFALLS...
ANYONE WHO GETS LOST IS CONDEMNED

BUT SURPRISINGLY, HE WAS FOUND AND RESCUED A WEEK LATER.
MORE THAN 50KM AWAY FROM THE OASIS...


MANAGED TO REACH THE YONEZAWA RUINS BY GOING THROUGH THE UNDER-GROUND CITY.
THAT THE GUY WHO GOT LOST INTO THE DEPTHS OF THE OASIS
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Oooh~
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HUM, WHAT DOES IT MEAN?
IN THE CORRIDOR WE TOOK EARLIER, UNDER THE YONEZAWA RUINS.

EEEH?
NO WAY!
IN OTHER WORDS, IT'S "BACKDOOR" TO THE OASIS.
IS HE... DEAD?
AND DISCOVERED THIS PLACE
THAT'S WHEN I HEARD HIS LAST WORDS...
10 YEARS AGO, I CAME TO MAKE SOME DIGGINGS AT THE YONEZAWA SITE
HE'S BEEN CAREFULLY BURIED WITH THE MINERS WHO DIED ACCIDENTALLY.
YES A WEEK LATER, IN THE DARK, DESPAIR AND FEAR.
RECYCLING
WEST OASIS ENERGETIC RESOURCES DEPT

HA HA HA HA
HAD HIS STORY BEEN SPREAD, THIS PLACE WOULD BE CROWDED ALREADY.
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NO YOU'RE RIGHT
I GUESS HIS BODY HASN'T BEEN RETURNED TO HIS FAMILY, HAS IT?
TALK ABOUT TERRORISTS!
LURKING AROUND THE GOVERNMENT'S SECRET ENTRANCE THEY DON'T EVEN KNOW ABOUT!
AND TAKING US IN, WHAT KIND OF AN IDEA IS THAT?
ALL OF THIS REALLY SMELLS FISHY.
GODDAMMIT!
PFU!
BUT I WAS BORN IN THE DESERT.
IT'S TRUE THAT I LIVE HERE AND THAT I WORK FOR THE GOVERNMENT.

I THOUGHT YOU SERVED THE GOVERNMENT HONESTLY.
AND YOU, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
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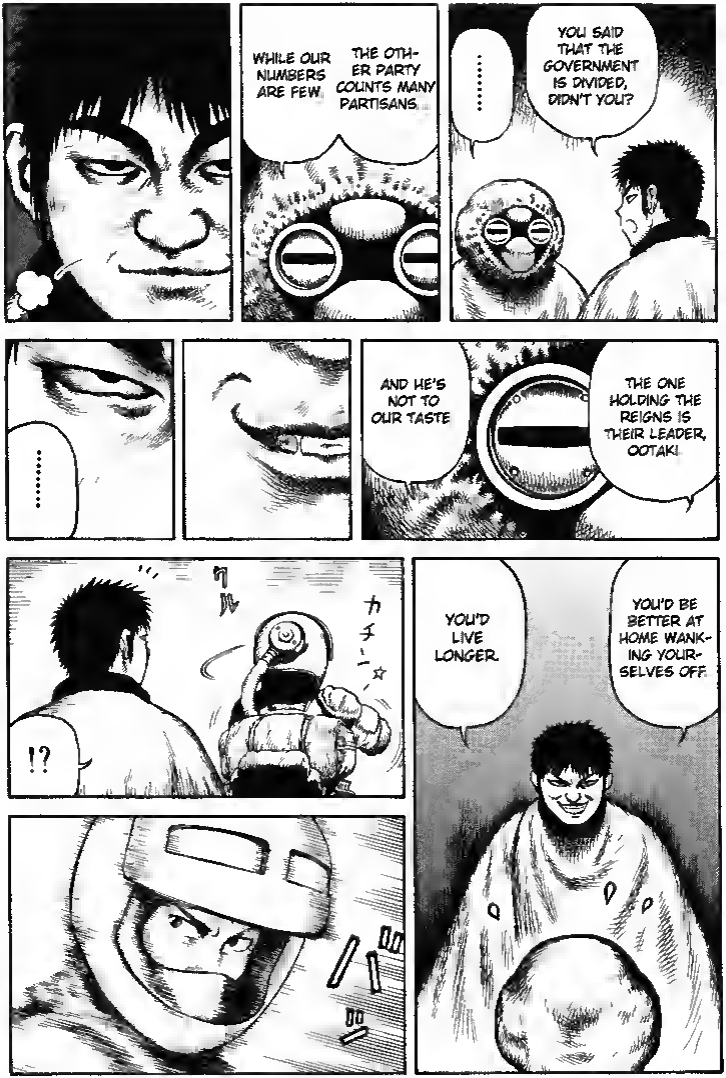
HEY!
I COME FROM THE DESERT TOO
I KNOW THAT.
MASTER, WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT ALL THIS?
I'VE GOT THE FEELING WE'VE BEEN TAKEN IN SOME VERY COMPLICATED MISSION OF THE ARMY.
AM I RIGHT?
IT'S WORSE THAN THAT.


WHILE OUR NUMBERS ARE FEW
THE OTHER PARTY COUNTS MANY PARTISANS
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YOU SAID THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS DIVIDED, DIDN'T YOU?
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AND HE'S NOT TO OUR TASTE
THE ONE HOLDING THE REIGNS IS THEIR LEADER, OOTAKI
!?
YOU'D LIVE LONGER
YOU'D BE BETTER AT HOME WANKING YOURSELVES OFF

NA...
NATSUKO
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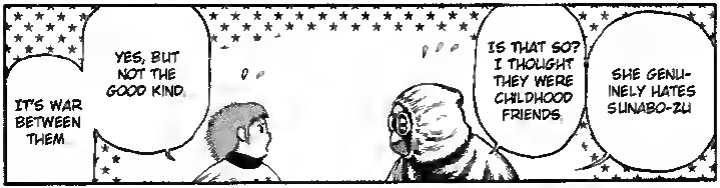
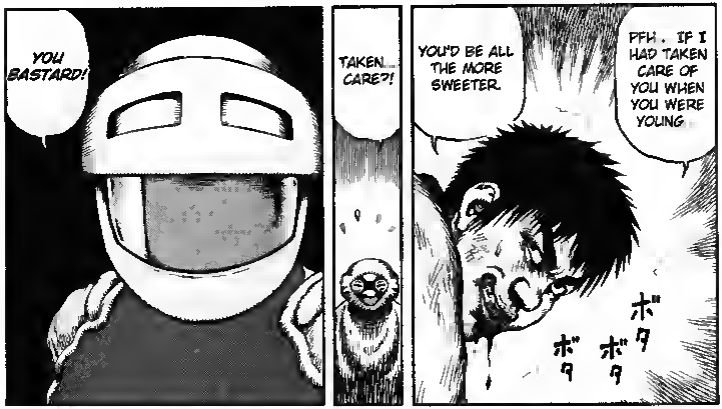
WHAT'S GOTTEN INTO HER? SHE USED TO BE IMPASSIVE.
MASTER!
NO, NO VIOLENCE! PLEASE!


IT'S WAR BETWEEN THEM.
YES, BUT NOT THE GOOD KIND.
IS THAT SO? I THOUGHT THEY WERE CHILDHOOD FRIENDS.
SHE GENUINELY HATES SUNABO-ZU


YOU BASTARD!
TAKEN CARE?!
YOU'D BE ALL THE MORE SWEETER.
PFH. IF I HAD TAKEN CARE OF YOU WHEN YOU WERE YOUNG.
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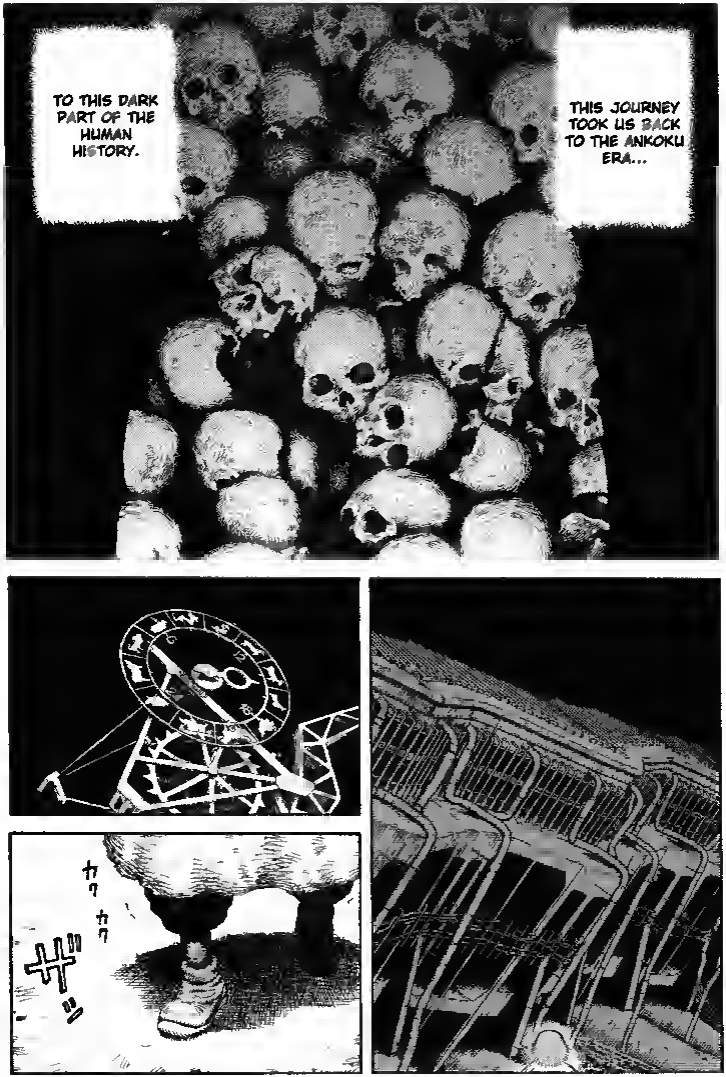
SO, WE CAN DISCREETLY INFILTRATE THE OASIS THROUGH THIS "BACK DOOR"
OH, WE'RE ALREADY HERE?
WE CONTACTED THE OTHERS THEY AGREE WITH THE PLAN
SORRY WE KEPT YOU WAITING
I'M WILLING TO LISTEN TO YOU
SINCE YOU PROMISED ME THAT YOU'D GET JUNKO OUT OF THERE...
OH?!
TO THE OASIS
WE HAD TO WALK 50KM TO REACH OUR GOAL...
THAT'S HOW WE UNDERTOOK THE SAME JOURNEY AS THE SURVEYOR DID TEN YEARS BEFORE...


TO THIS DARK PART OF THE HUMAN HISTORY.
THIS JOURNEY TOOK US BACK TO THE ANKOKU ERA...
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THEY SUCK!
DON'T BLAME ME...
PHEW.. I CAN'T TAKE MORE I'M SO TIRED.
AT THIS PACE, WE'LL MAKE IT IN TWO DAYS
AAAH...
SO BE IT. LET'S CAMP HERE TODAY
YOU'RE NOT ONE OF US YET
YOU MIGHT HAVE STOLEN SOMETHING ALONG THE WAY...
HUH?! WE'VE ALREADY BEEN SEARCHED EARLIER.
BEFORE WE TAKE SOME REST, WE'RE GOING TO SEARCH THESE TWO HELP ME

HURRY UP, I'M FREEZING HERE!
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No it's just that er-
YOU THINK WE'RE GONNA BE BUDDIES THIS WAY?
GET YOUR CLOTHES OFF
RAH...
He's cold
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EVERY-THING
WHAT?!
NOW, PUT YOUR HANDS ON THE FLOOR.
HE'S GOT NOTHING
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GRAB HIM.
Oh God
NO, DON'T DO THAT!
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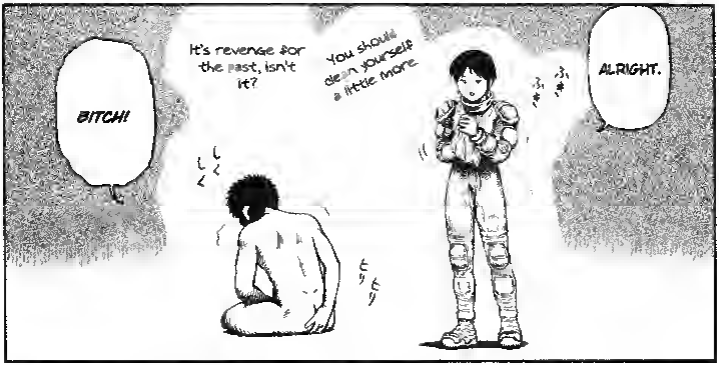
NO!

That's terrible
UUUGH IS THAT HOW YOU TREAT YOUR CHILDHOOD FRIENDS?
He's resisting.
N... NATSUKO.
YOU'RE QUITE RELUCTANT.
!!?
HERE I GO.
I'LL BE QUICK ABOUT IT. JUST RELAX.
HAAAA...
HAA...


ALRIGHT.
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You should clean yourself a little more
It's revenge for the past, isn't it?
BITCH!
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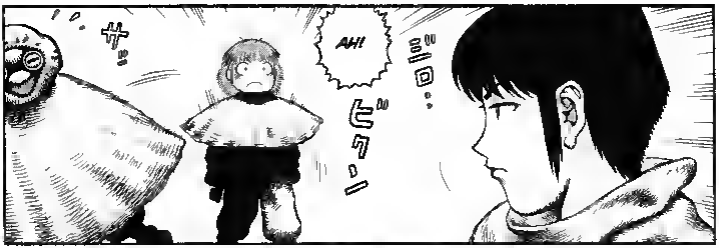
AH!
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DO YOU THINK A WOMAN CAN SURVIVE IN THE DESERT IF SHE ISN'T READY TO DO ANYTHING?

PLEASE, DON'T...
NA... NATSUKO.
I'VE GOT NOTHING, I SWEAR
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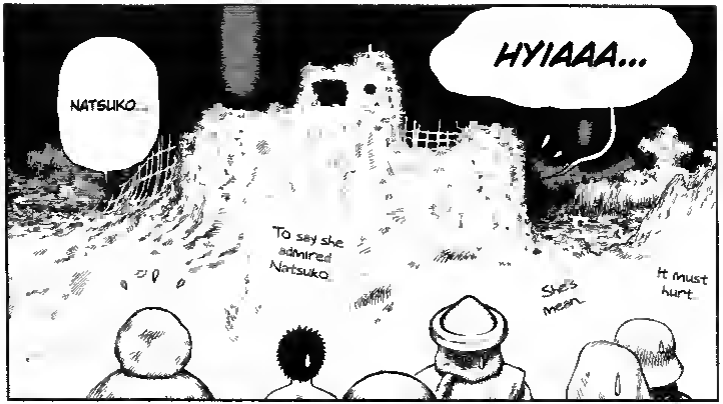
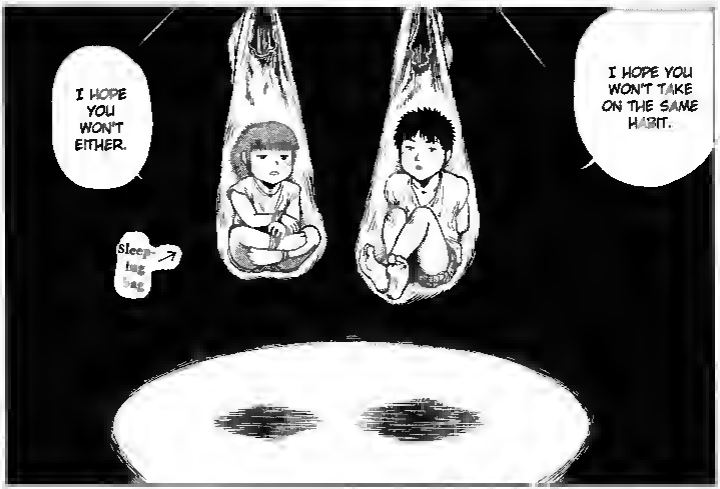

NATSUKO...
HYIAAA...
To say she admired Natsuko...
She's mean.
It must hurt.


I HOPE YOU WON'T EITHER.
Sleeping bag
I HOPE YOU WON'T TAKE ON THE SAME HABIT.

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SECOND DAY OF OUR JOURNEY ACROSS THIS HUGE MAZE OF RUINS.
THE GOVERNMENT DOESN'T EVEN KNOW THIS PASSAGE THAT LEADS TO ITS OWN HEAD-QUARTERS.
THESE OLD MEN WHO PRETEND TO BE WITH THE PARTY OPPOSING THE GOVERNMENT KNOW VERY WELL THE RUINS OF THIS BIG UNDERGROUND CITY OF THE ANKOKU ERA.
AS WE'RE MUCH OBLIGED TO COOPERATE, WE SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY TO APPRAISE THE EXTENT OF THEIR POWER.

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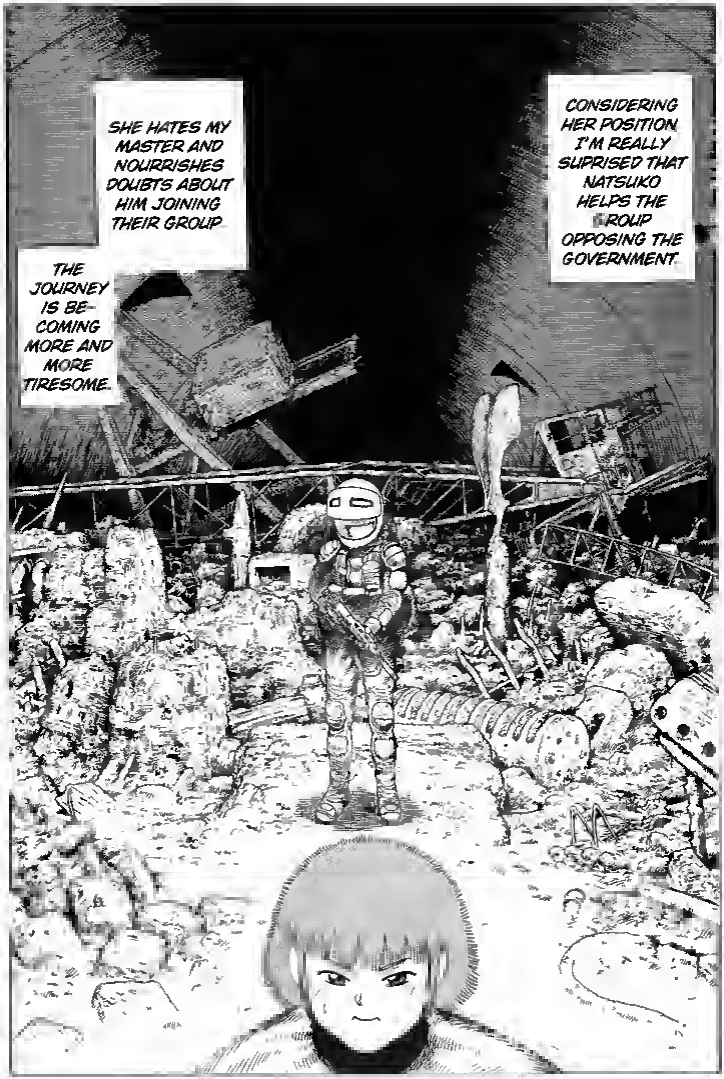
CONSIDERING HER POSITION I'M REALLY SURPRISED THAT NATSUKO HELPS THE GROUP OPPOSING THE GOVERNMENT.
SHE HATES MY MASTER AND NOURRISHES DOUBTS ABOUT HIM JOINING THEIR GROUP.
THE JOURNEY IS BE-COMING MORE AND MORE TIRESOME.

THEY ALSO TOOK THE BATTERY USED BY OUR WINCH, AIR CONDITIONER AND TRACKING SYSTEM.
We don't need to be armed
FOR STARTERS, OUR WEAPONS, AMMUNITIONS, SHARP TOOLS AND SUPPLIES HAVE BEEN CONFISCATED
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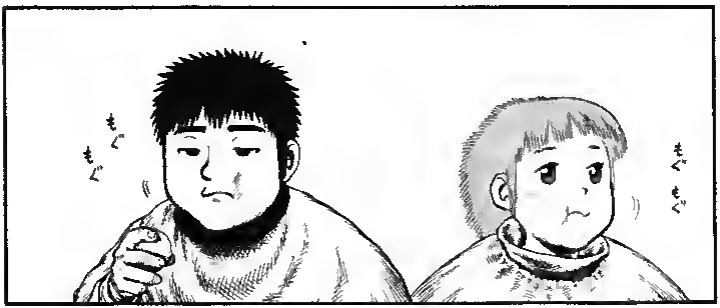
She keeps a close watch on them
AND THEN, WE'RE UNDER NATSUKO'S RELENTLESS SURVEILLANCE.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PHEW... I'M BEATEN...
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OUCH. MY BLISTER JUST BURST.
AH...
HMM. HE'S JUST EAGER TO SEE MISS BIG BOSOM AGAIN.
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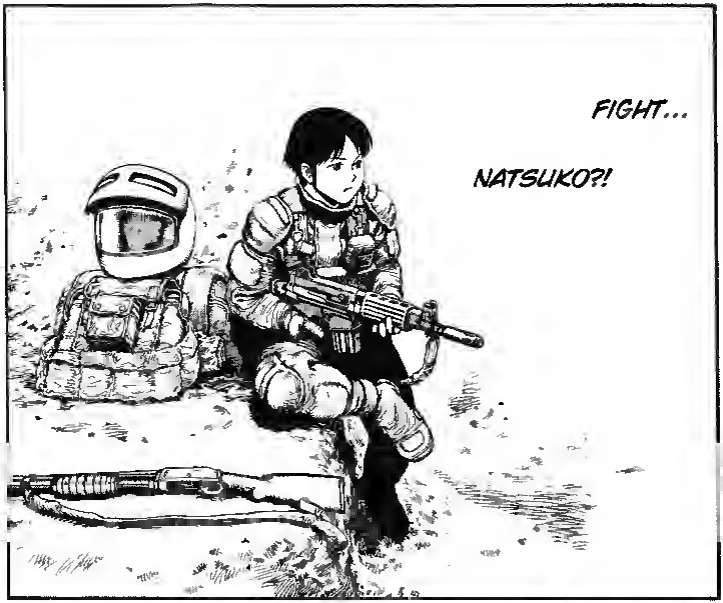
IS IT REALLY NECESSARY TO KEEP SUCH A PACE?
NATSUKO SEEMS CONFIDENT ABOUT IT, BUT...
IS IT ACTUALLY POSSIBLE?
WILL WE MANAGE TO GET INSIDE AND RESCUE JUNKO?
MAYBE WE'LL GET TO THE OASIS, BUT...

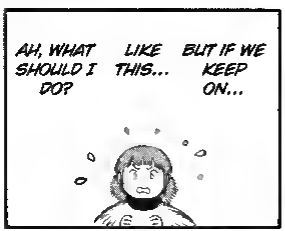
HIHI! COULD IT BE THAT YOU'RE SCARED OF NATSUKO?
YES
ONCE YOU START DOUBTING...
I'M COUNTING ON YOU TO FIND A WAY TO ESCAPE
THERE'S NO END TO IT
vitamin balls
mineral balls
white balls
YOU DON'T KNOW HER REAL SELF
.....
IT'S SURPRISING, COMING FROM YOU
Oh!
!?
THAT WONDERFUL WOMAN YOU ADMIRE SO MUCH.
.....
FIGHT NATSUKO.
DO YOU THINK YOU CAN DO IT?
DO WHAT?


FIGHT...
NATSUKO?!

I DON'T WANT TO DIE.

SHE WON'T HESITATE TO SHOOT US.
ON THE OTHER HAND, IF WE ESCAPE .

IMPOS-SIBLE.


AH, WHAT SHOULD I DO?
LIKE THIS...
BUT IF WE KEEP ON...

THE THIRD DAY. NOON.
THE DAY ENDED QUIETLY AFTER THE NATSUKO'S COMPULSORY BODY SEARCH.
UNGH ..
OUCH...
WE'RE AT THE EDGE OF THE OASIS.
THE UNDER-GROUND CITY ENDS HERE.
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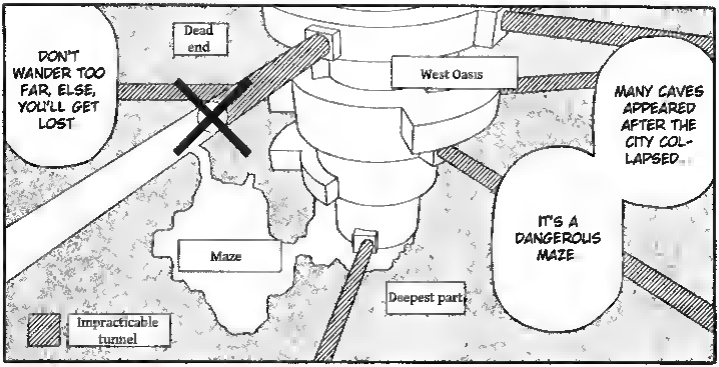
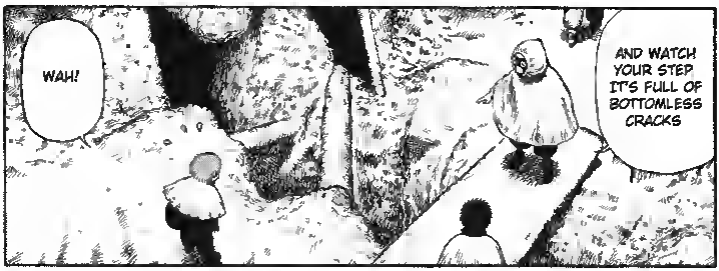
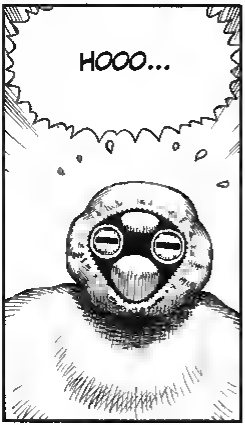
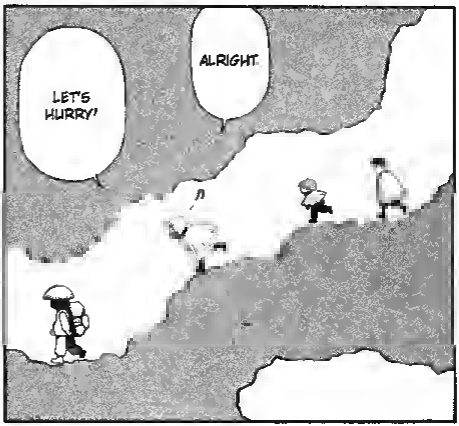
IT'S A DEAD END.
WE'LL GO AROUND THROUGH HERE.
BUT STAY SHARP.
THAT'S JUST RUBBLE.

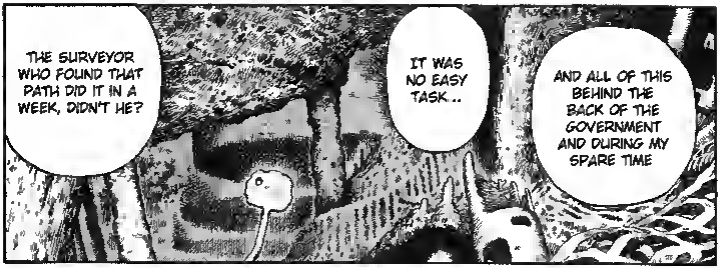

DON'T WANDER TOO FAR, ELSE, YOU'LL GET LOST
Dead end
West Oasis
MANY CAVES APPEARED AFTER THE CITY COLLAPSED
IT'S A DANGEROUS MAZE
Maze
Deepest part
Impracticable tunnel


WAH!
AND WATCH YOUR STEP IT'S FULL OF BOTTOMLESS CRACKS


HOOO...


LET'S HURRY!
ALRIGHT

HUH?
A NEW COLLAPSING
.....
WHY DIDN'T YOU LOOK AFTER IT?
YOU FOUND THIS PLACE TEN YEARS AGO.
SO WHAT? WE CAN'T GET TO THE OASIS IN THE END?
IT'S THE THIRD ONE
IT'S NORMAL, IT'S JUST RUBBLE HERE.
SIGH
YES, IT TOOK ME MORE THAN TEN YEARS TO DECIPHER THIS MINDGAME.
BUT WE'VE DISCOVERED THE WAY LEADING TO THE OASIS ONLY SIX MONTHS AGO
YOU'RE RIGHT, WE'VE KNOWN IT FOR TEN YEARS
Huh..?


THE SURVEYOR WHO FOUND THAT PATH DID IT IN A WEEK, DIDN'T HE?
IT WAS NO EASY TASK..
AND ALL OF THIS BEHIND THE BACK OF THE GOVERNMENT AND DURING MY SPARE TIME

NOT AT ALL!
DOES THE PARTY END HERE?
WHAT DO YOU INTEND TO DO?

I'M WONDERING WHAT I'M DOING WITH THESE AIRHEADS.
YES

YOU'RE SAYING THAT WE'RE GONNA BE STUCK HERE FOR A WEEK?!
WHAT?!

TRY TO HANG IN THERE UNTIL THEN
LESS THAN A WEEK, HOPEFULLY.
NO!

YOU THINK I'M GONNA ROT DOWN HERE?
YOU CAN'T TELL WHAT COULD HAPPEN.
IN THESE RUINS? IT'S TOO RISKY.
YOU'VE GOT MINE!
WHY NOT USE SOME EXPLOSIVES?
You're a maniac!
Bring me the C-4!
I'LL KEEP IT DOWN
ALRIGHT, I UNDERSTAND
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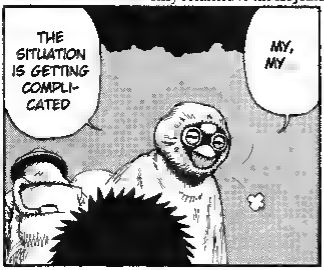
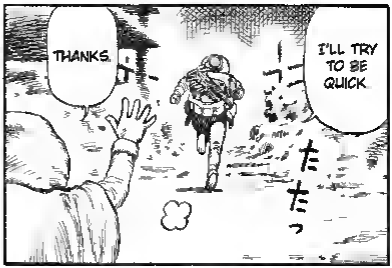
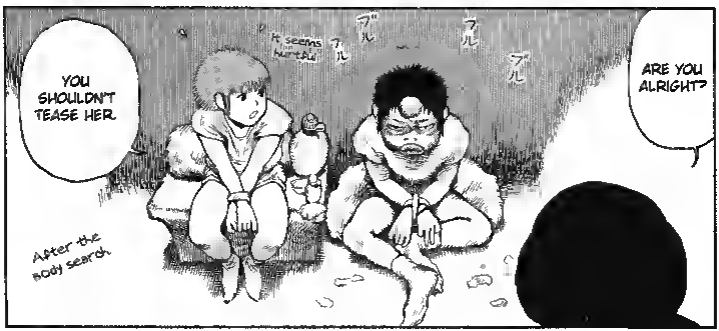
WE CAN'T TURN BACK
EH, HATSUKO?
SAY, WHY DON'T WE FIND A PLEASANT WAY TO SPEND TIME?

BE CAREFULL WITH THOSE TWO, KEEP AN EYE ON THEM.
I KNOW.
THERE'S A RELAY ABOUT A HALF DAY OF WALK AWAY FROM HERE
I'LL BRING BACK SOME SUPPLIES, SOME WATER AND SOME BUILDER TOOLS TOO
OK, I'LL TELL THE OTHERS THAT THE PLAN HAS CHANGED

They returned to the labyrinth's entrance







OF COURSE I'M STRONG AND FAMOUS ALL OVER THE KANTO.
WHY ME?
IT'S ONLY NATURAL TO CALL ME IN, BUT...
I'VE GOT A QUESTION FOR YOU.
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YOU WILL UNDERSTAND WHEN WE GET TO THE OASIS.
IT'S JUST...
HUM...
YOU'RE PUTTING YOUR GROUP IN DANGER TOO.
DO YOU REALLY THINK THIS IS A GOOD WAY TO HIRE ME?
WE WANT TO IMPROVE THE LIVING CONDITIONS IN THE DESERT.
WE DON'T DO THIS FOR OUR OWN INTERESTS.
OH YEAH?
JUST SO YOU KNOW...

THE WEAK AND THE STRONG WOULD BE ABLE TO LIVE TOGETHER PEACEFULLY.
SHOULD THE INHABITANTS BE UNITED, THEY WOULD CARE FOR ONE ANOTHER
TOO BAD.
THAT'S EXACTLY THE KIND OF SPEECH HE LOATHES.
OH!
OUCH!
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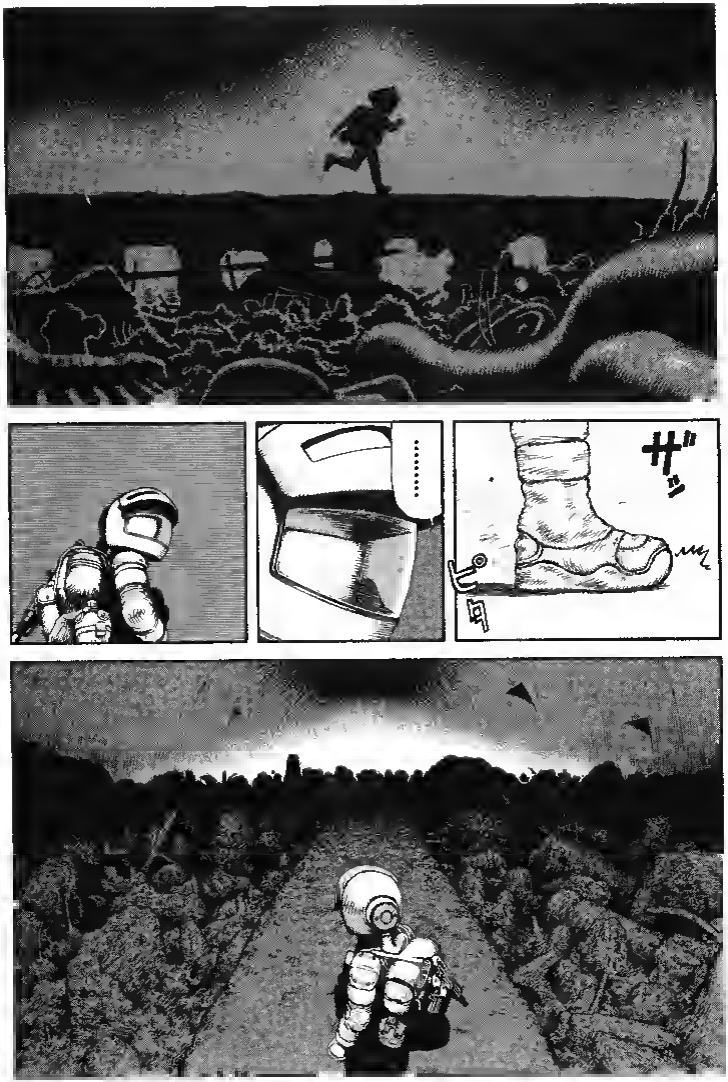
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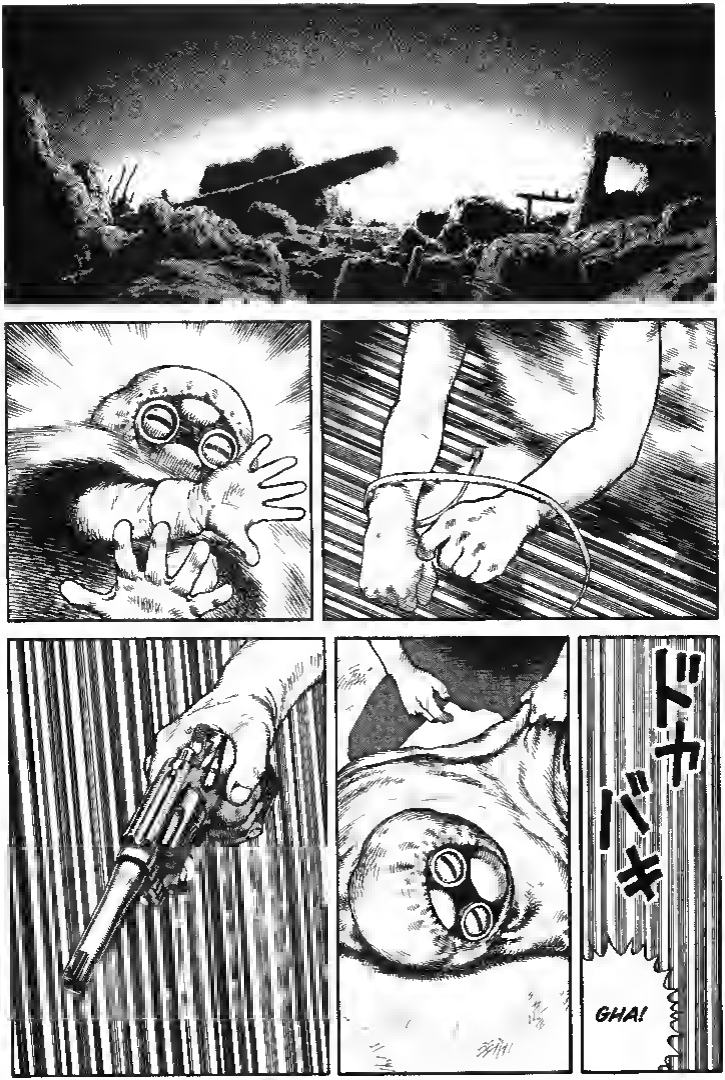
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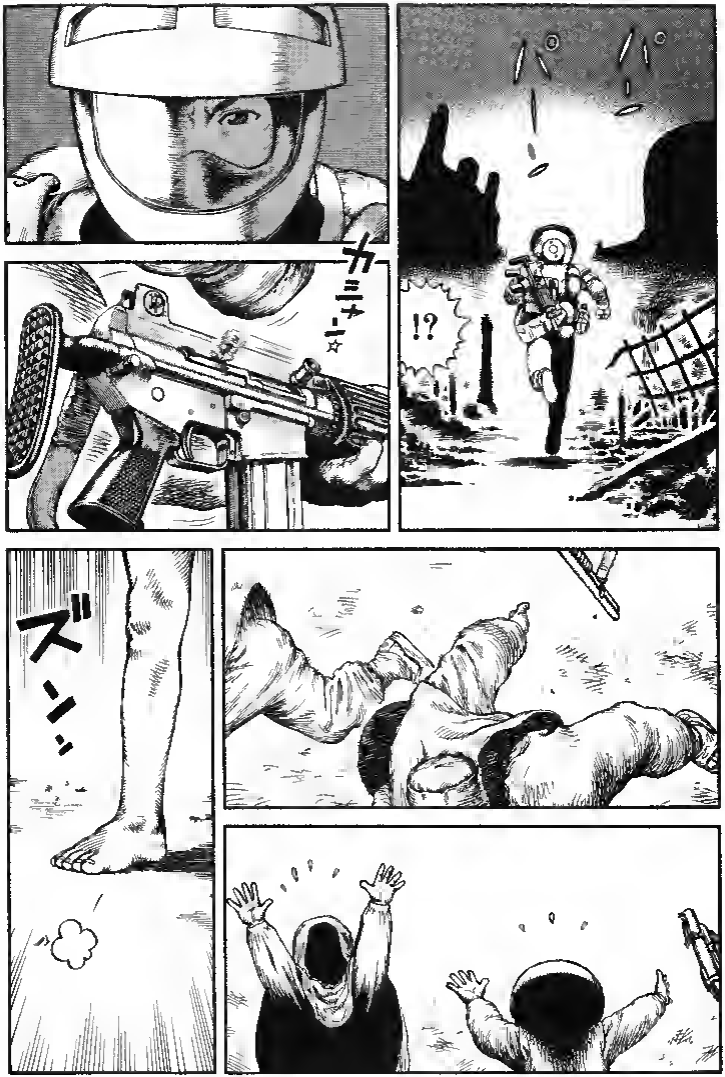
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AAAH...
WAAAH!
HYI!...
THE DEMONESS ISN'T HERE, IT'S NOW OR NEVER.
I CAN'T STAND THEM ANY LONGER.
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ARE WE ESCAPING?
MASTER!
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EH?!
WE'RE GONNA TURN THOSE GUYS IN.
WE'RE KINDA SCREWED, DON'T YOU THINK?
PERHAPS THE GOVERNMENT IS WATCHING US EVEN NOW...
WE'LL BE THEIR TARGET.
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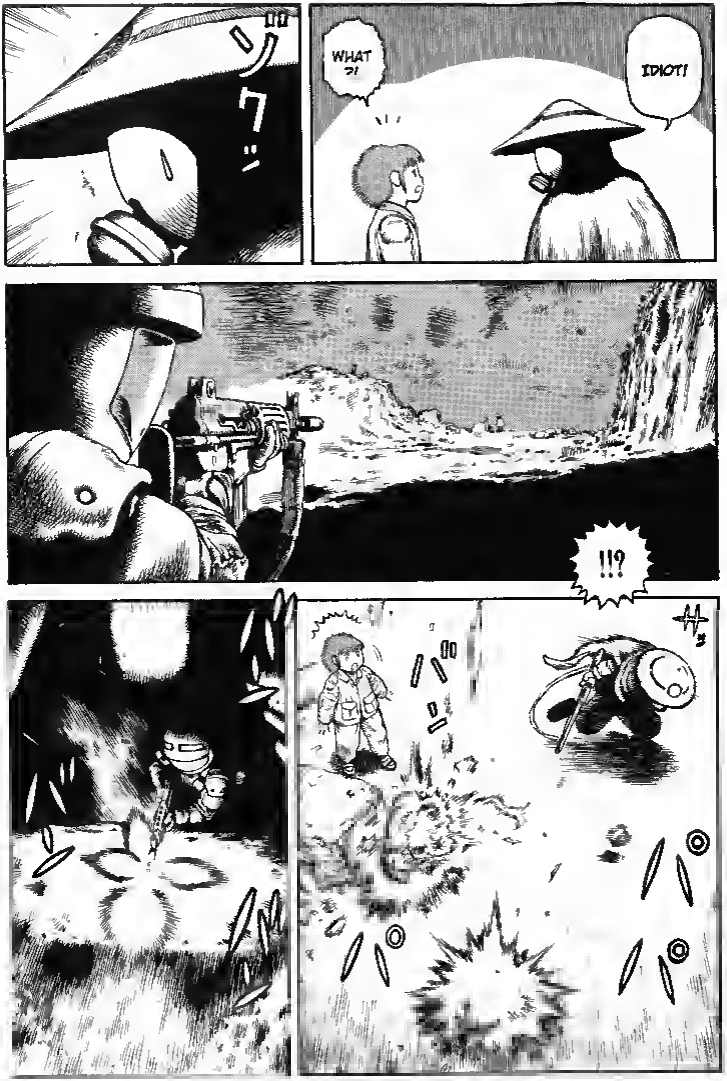
THEN THEY WILL PROBABLY MAKE A GESTURE FOR US IN RETURN
AND BY ANNIHILATING THE OPPOSING GROUP IT'S TWO BUCKS WITH ONE STONE.
Brilliant!
YEAH!
THUS WE'LL BE LOOKED UPON AS SAVIORS, LOYAL TO THE GOVERNMENT
WHAT ABOUT...
AND...
NATSUKO...?
YOU'RE A GENIUS!
Hmph
Say!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WHAT ?!
IDIOT!
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SHIT, NATSUKO!
SHE'S ALREADY BACK!
TO BE ABLE TO KILL TWO DUCKS WITH ONE STONE...
WE NEED TO DEAL WITH HER FIRST.
WE FORGOT ABOUT NATSUKO.
OBVIOUSLY.
WHAT?!
DON'T MOVE!
STAY WHERE YOU ARE!
MASTER!

OH!
WILL YOU BE ABLE TO FIGHT NATSUKO ?
BUT ER...
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IT WOULD BE USELESS.
That's awful
WHAT TO DO?
SHE'S MERCILESS, THIS GAL!
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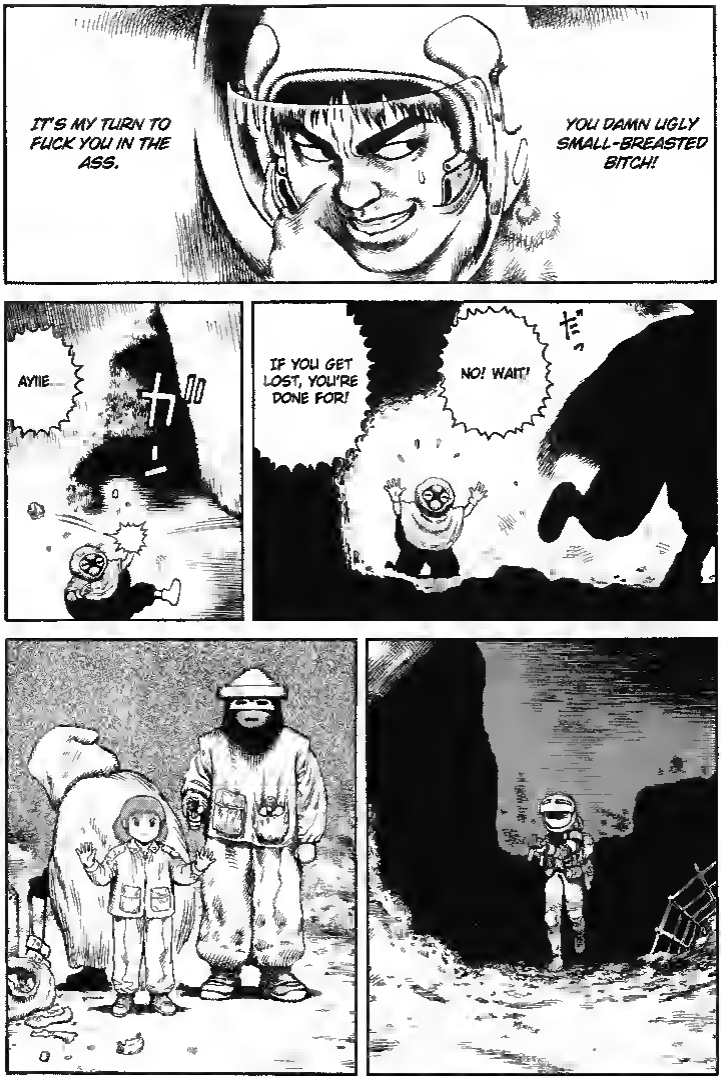
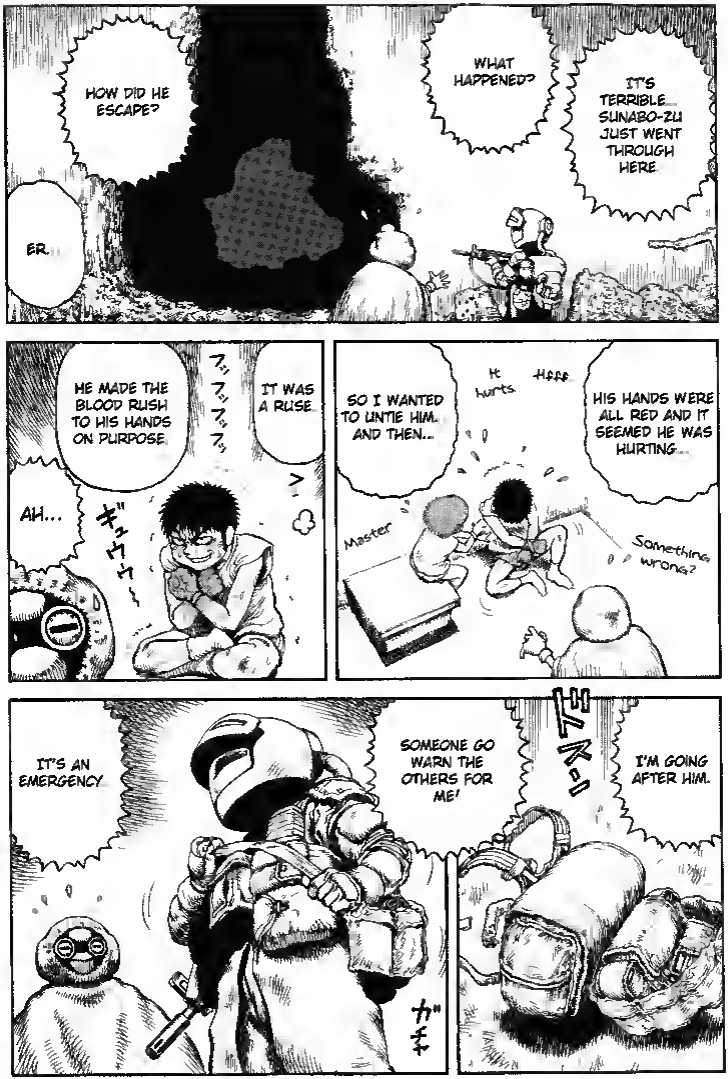
FUCKING CRAP!
DO I GO ALL-IN?


IT'S MY TURN TO FUCK YOU IN THE ASS.
YOU DAMN UGLY SMALL-BREASTED BITCH!
AYIIE...
IF YOU GET LOST, YOU'RE DONE FOR!
NO! WAIT!


HOW DID HE ESCAPE?
ER...
WHAT HAPPENED?
IT'S TERRIBLE... SUNABO-ZU JUST WENT THROUGH HERE
IT WAS A RUSE.
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HE MADE THE BLOOD RUSH TO HIS HANDS ON PURPOSE.
AH...
キュウ
SO I WANTED TO UNTIE HIM. AND THEN..
Ht hurts Hsss
HIS HANDS WERE ALL RED AND IT SEEMED HE WAS HURTING...
Master
Something wrong?
IT'S AN EMERGENCY
SOMEONE GO WARN THE OTHERS FOR ME!
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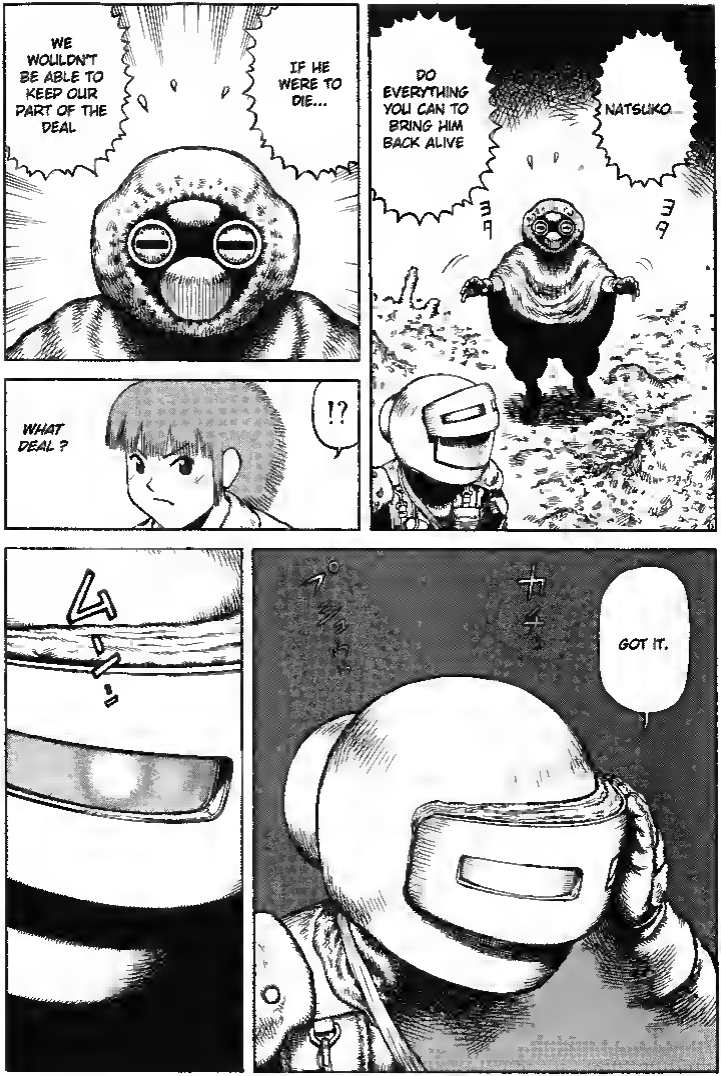
I'M GOING AFTER HIM.


WE WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO KEEP OUR PART OF THE DEAL
IF HE WERE TO DIE...
DO EVERYTHING YOU CAN TO BRING HIM BACK ALIVE
NATSUKO
WHAT DEAL ?
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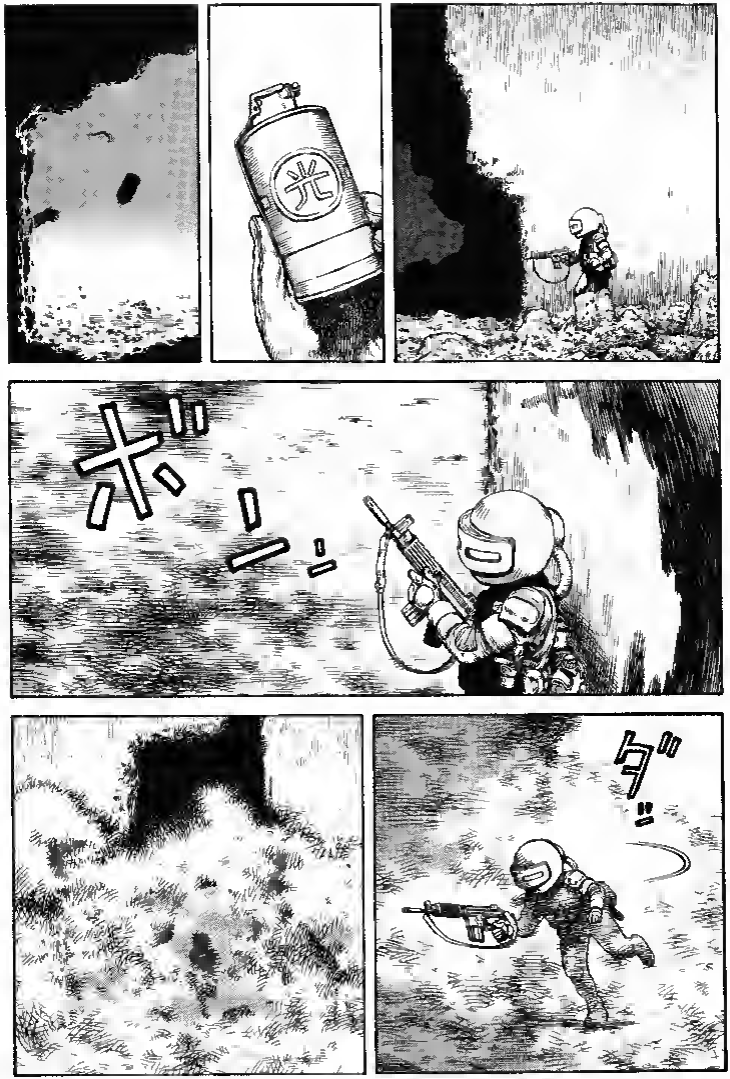
GOT IT.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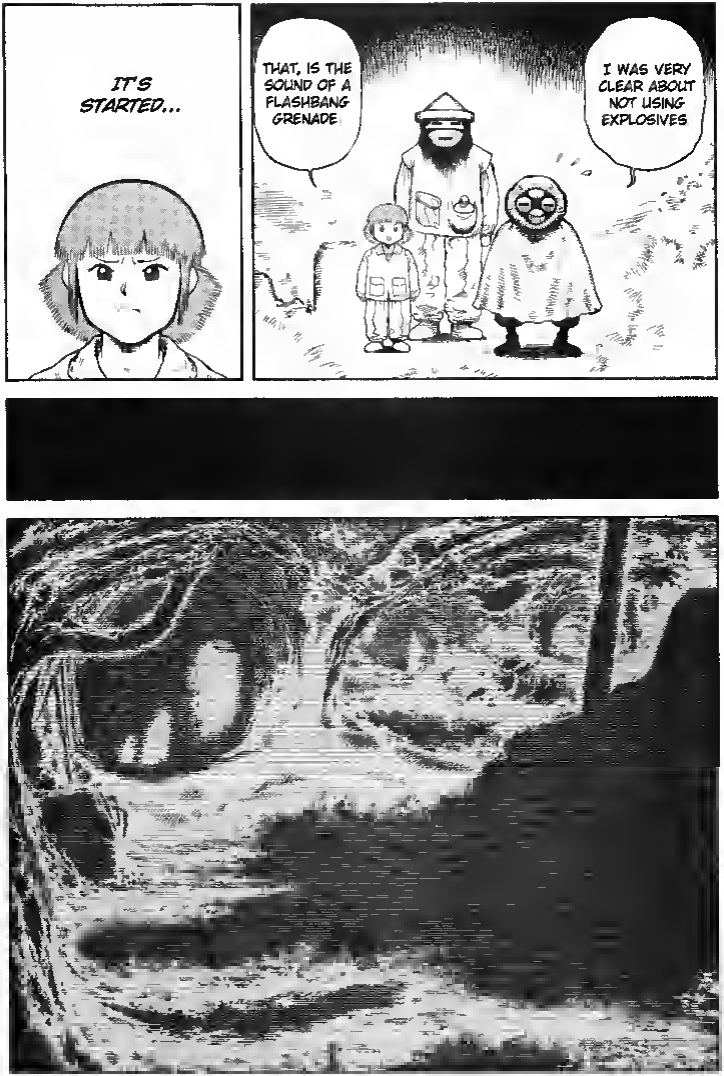
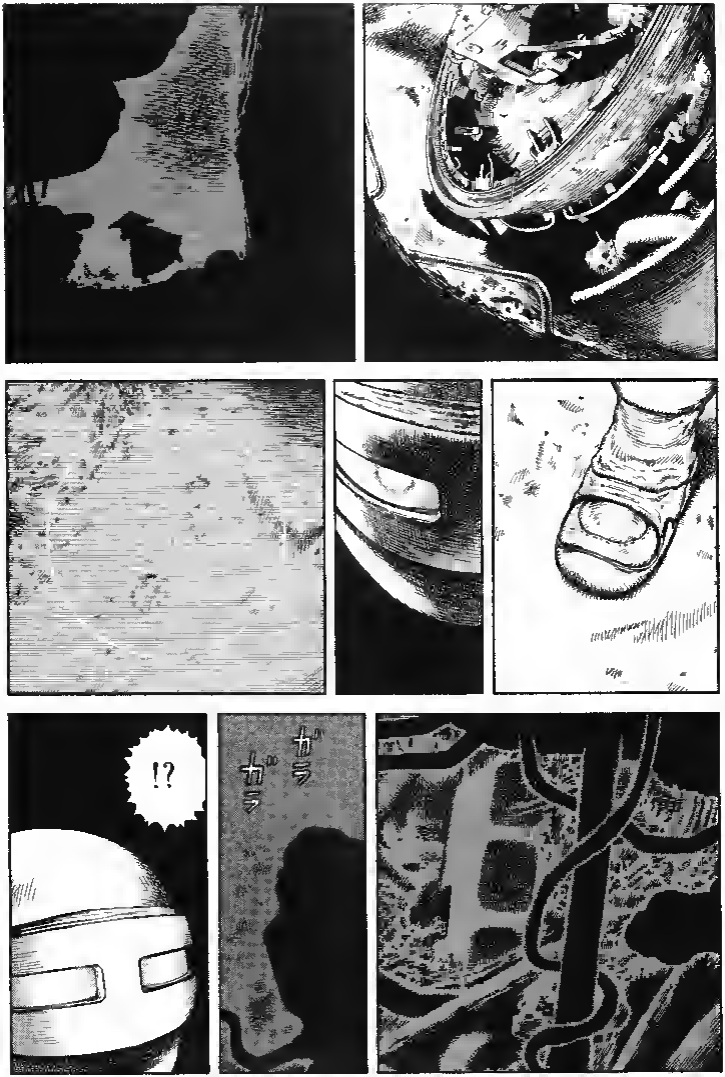

IT'S STARTED...
THAT, IS THE SOUND OF A FLASHBANG GRENADE
I WAS VERY CLEAR ABOUT NOT USING EXPLOSIVES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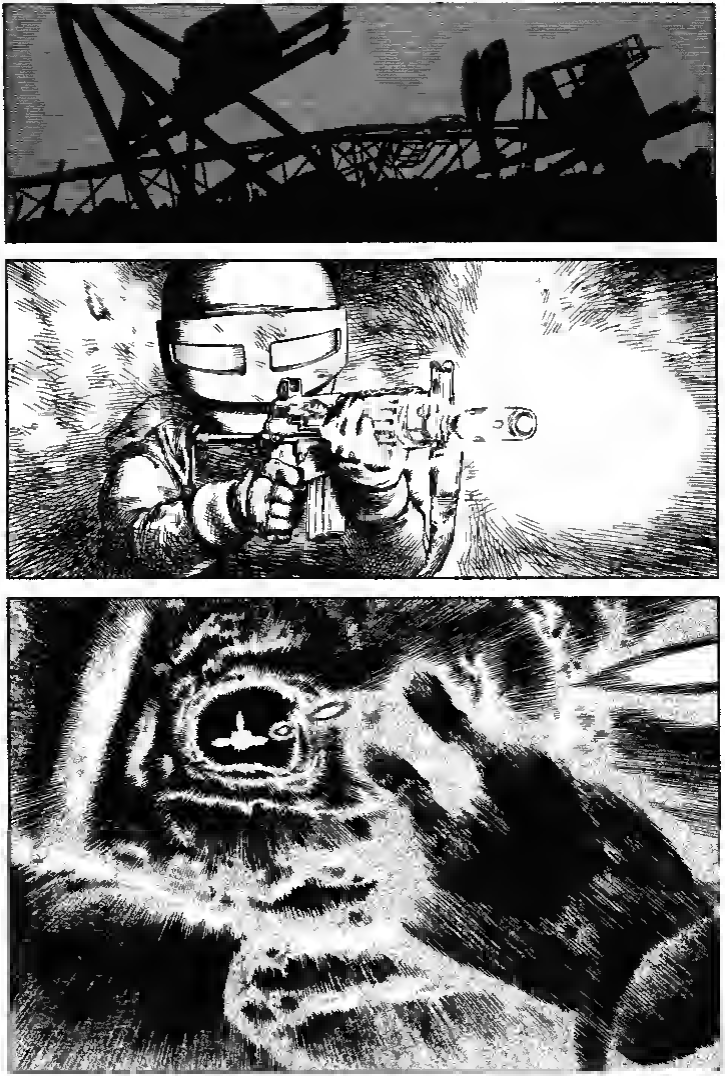

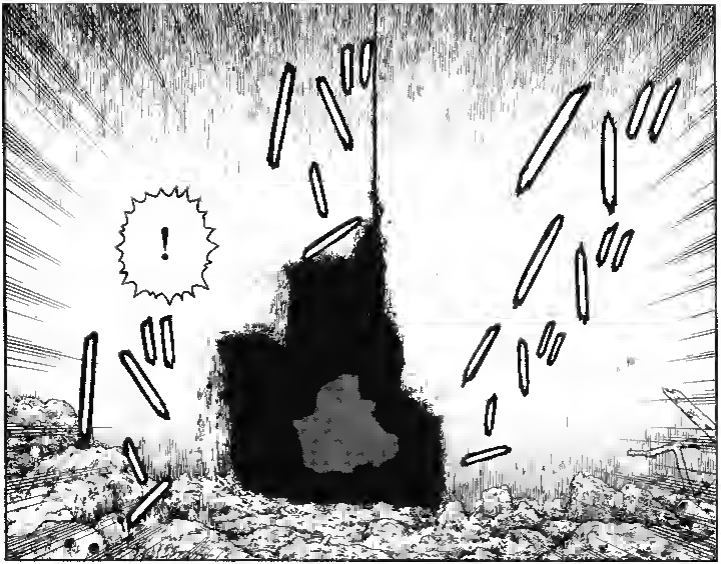
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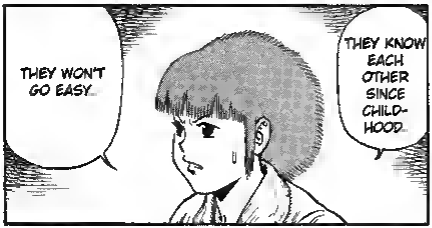
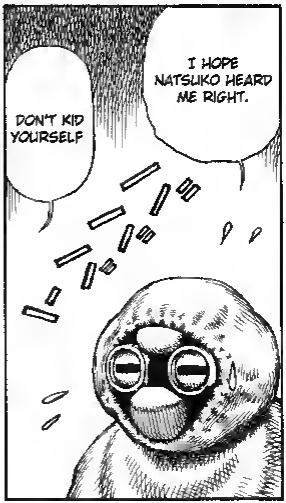

THEY WON'T GO EASY.
THEY KNOW EACH OTHER SINCE CHILD-HOOD.


I HOPE NATSUKO HEARD ME RIGHT.
DON'T KID YOURSELF

PFU!
THIS'LL GO WRONG.
AAH... MY GOD...

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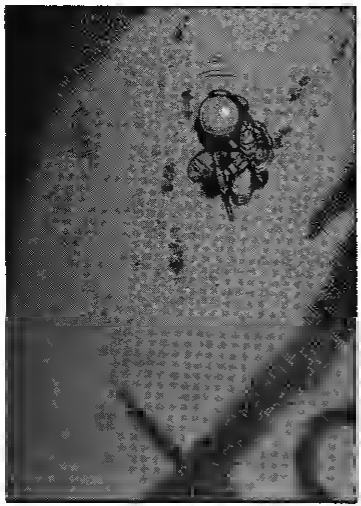

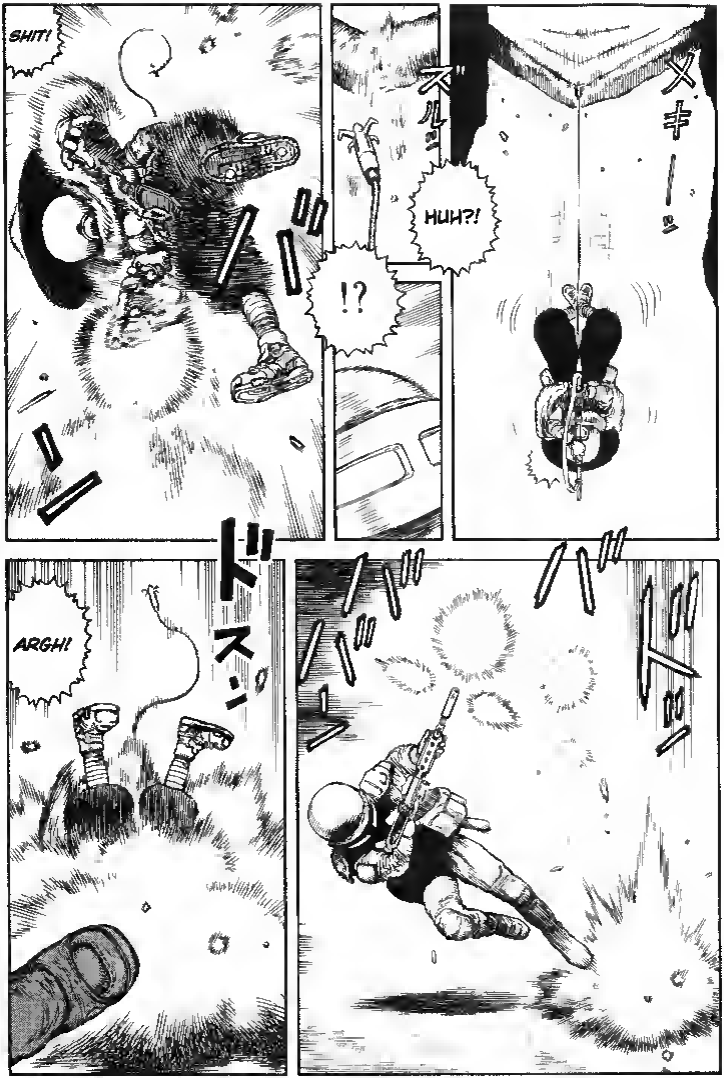
SHIT!
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HUH?!
ARGH!

A SMOKE SCREEN!
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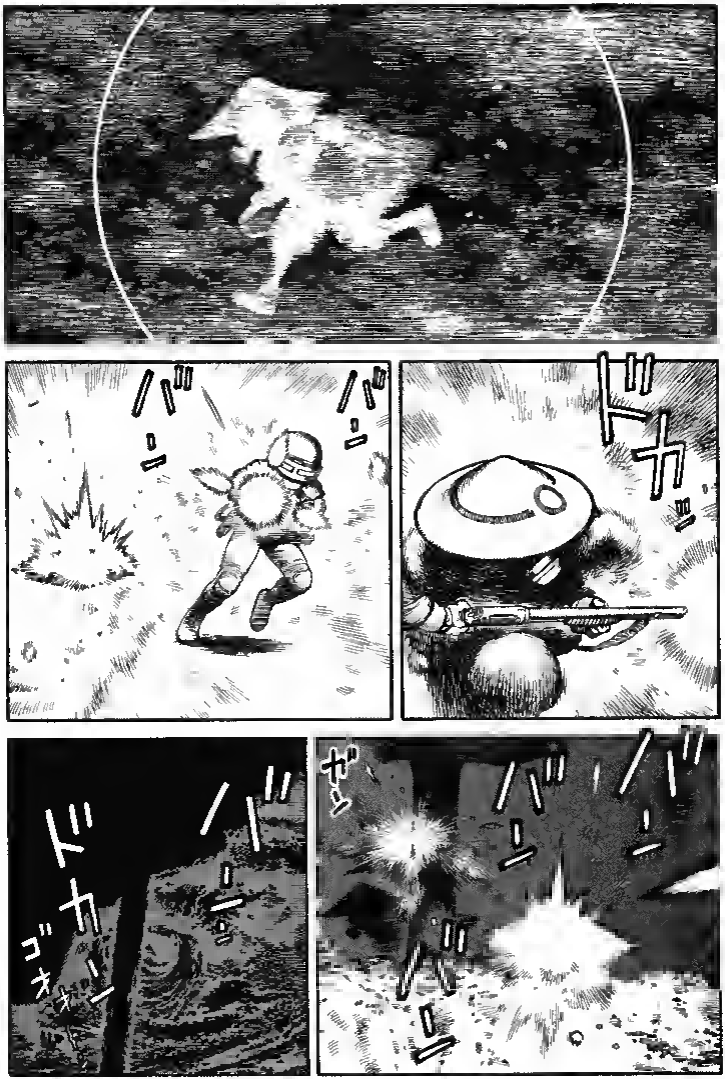
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UNTIL ONE OF THEM DIES.
TAIKO'S RIGHT... THEY WILL KEEP ON FIGHTING...
WHAT?!
WE MUST FOLLOW THEM
WE CAN'T LET THEM KILL EACH OTHER...
JUST LIKE NATSUKO SHE WAS ALSO AGAINST THE PLAN AT FIRST.
TO MAKE OUR DREAM COME TRUE, WE MANAGED TO CONVINCE SUNABO-ZU...
IT'S A REAL BULLETSTORM OUT THERE.
BUT HOW?
IT'S OUR DUTY TO STOP THEM

WE KNOW THIS PLACE BY HEART.
WITH TAIKO'S HELP,
WE CAN FIND THEIR TRAIL
BECAUSE OF THE ECHO, IT'S HARD TO PINPOINT THEIR LOCATION
AND THEY WON'T LISTEN TO US ANYWAY.
YOU WANT TO STOP THEM TOO, DON'T YOU?
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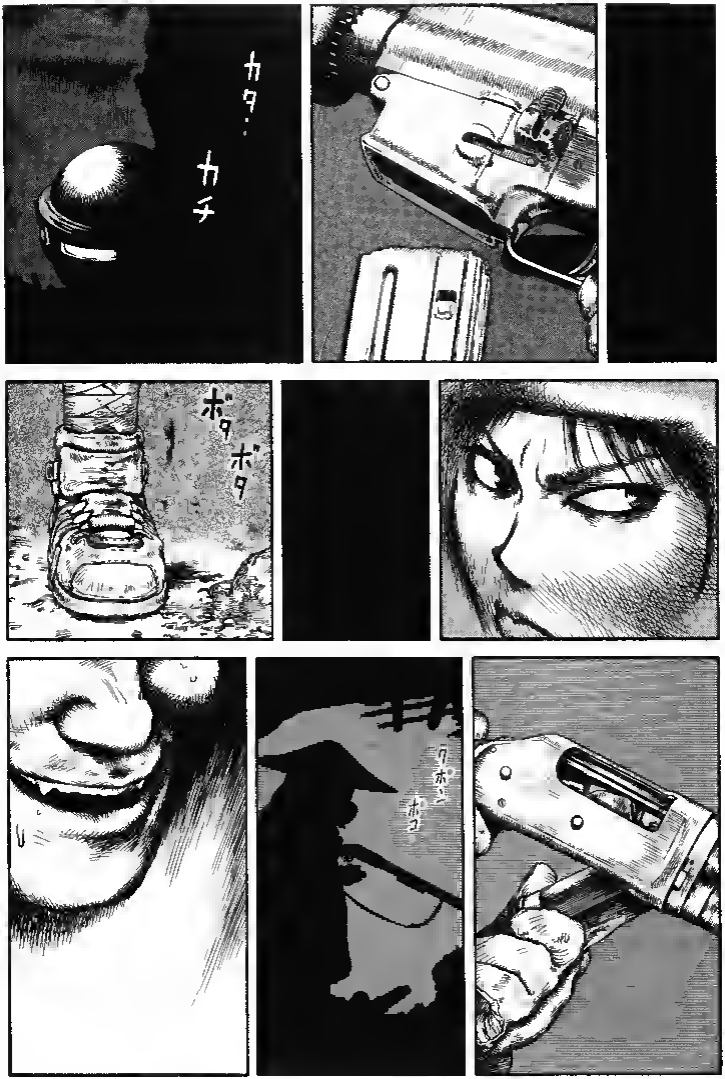
COME ON, LET'S GO.
LET'S FIND THEM.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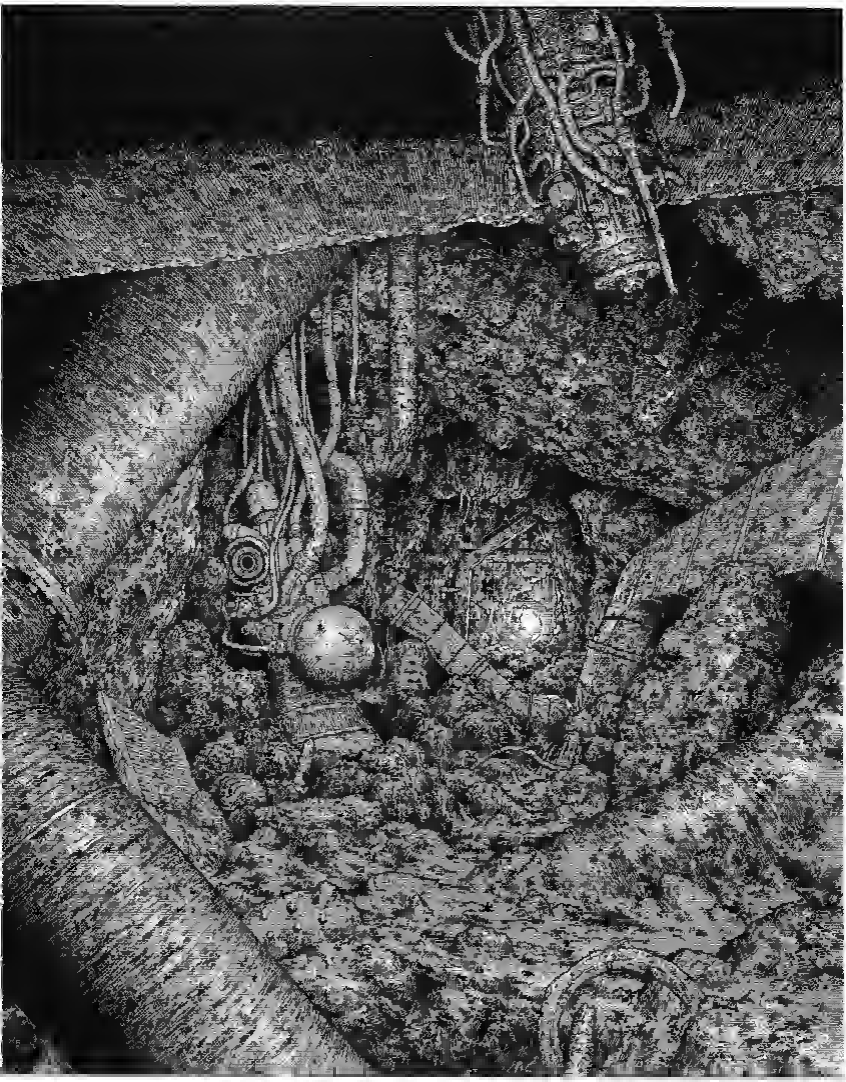

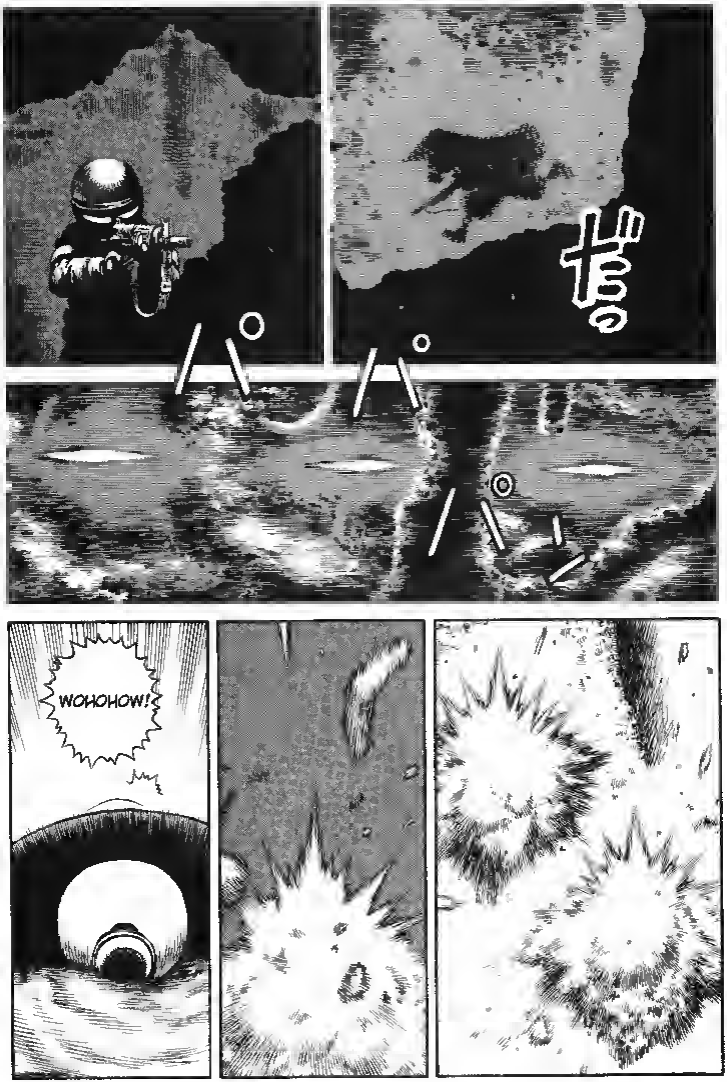
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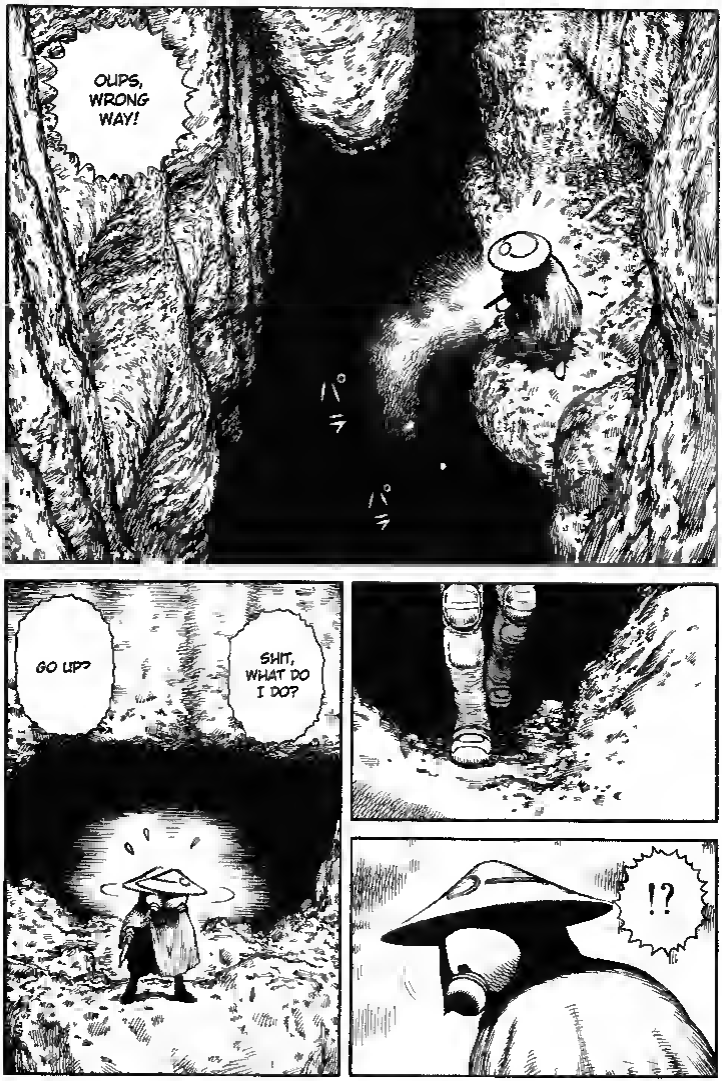
OUPS, WRONG WAY!
GO UP?
SHIT, WHAT DO I DO?
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MY GOD!
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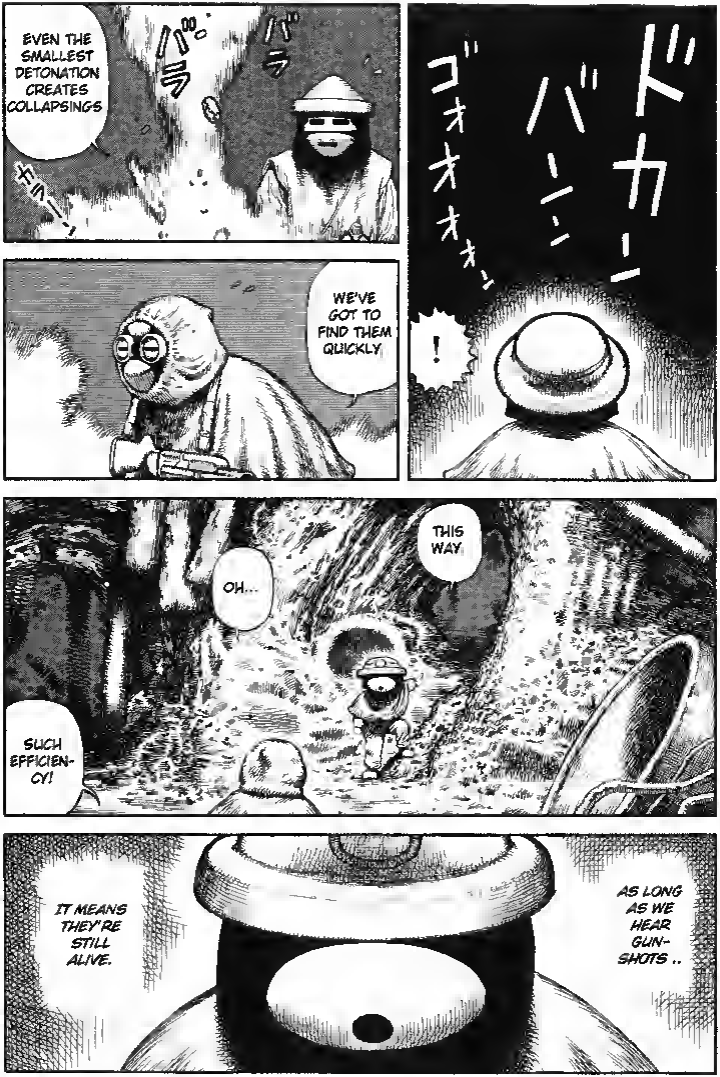
EVEN THE SMALLEST DETONATION CREATES COLLAPSINGS
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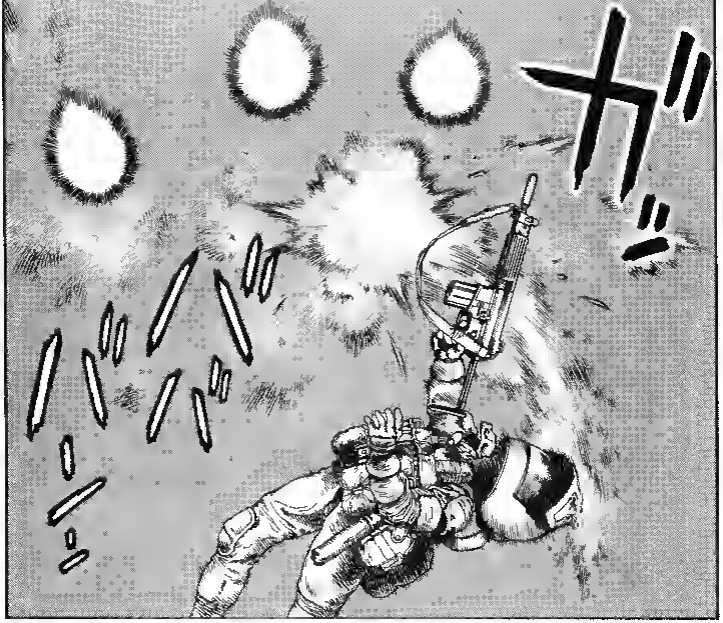
WE'VE GOT TO FIND THEM QUICKLY
THIS WAY
OH...
SUCH EFFICIENCY!
IT MEANS THEY'RE STILL ALIVE.
AS LONG AS WE HEAR GUNSHOTS ..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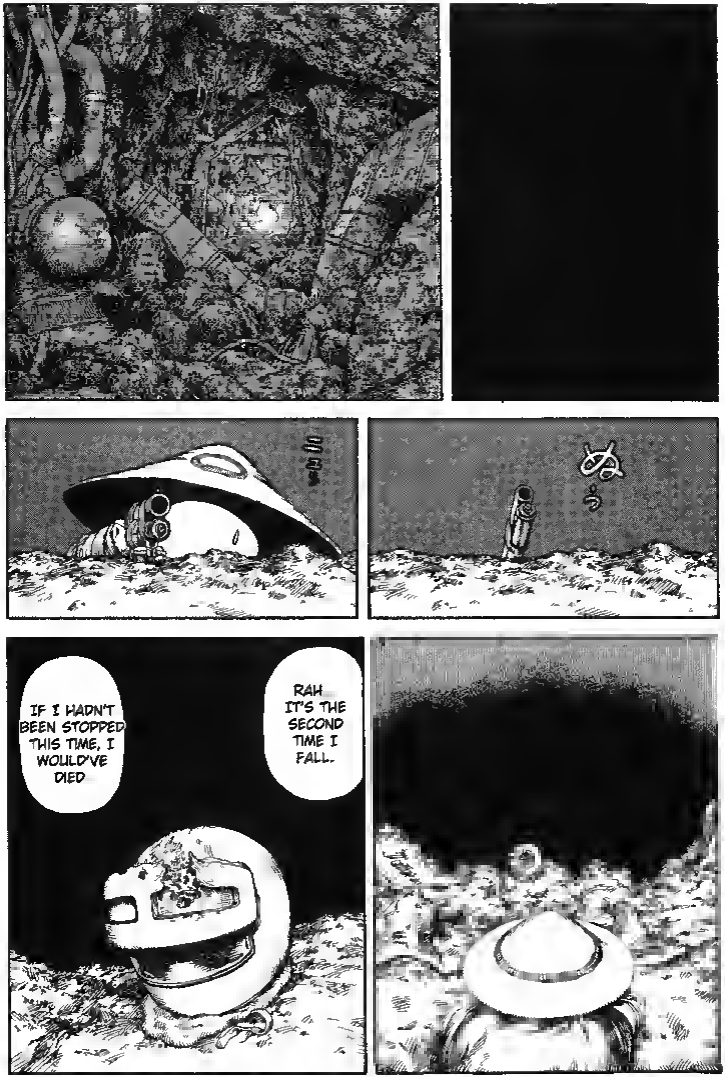
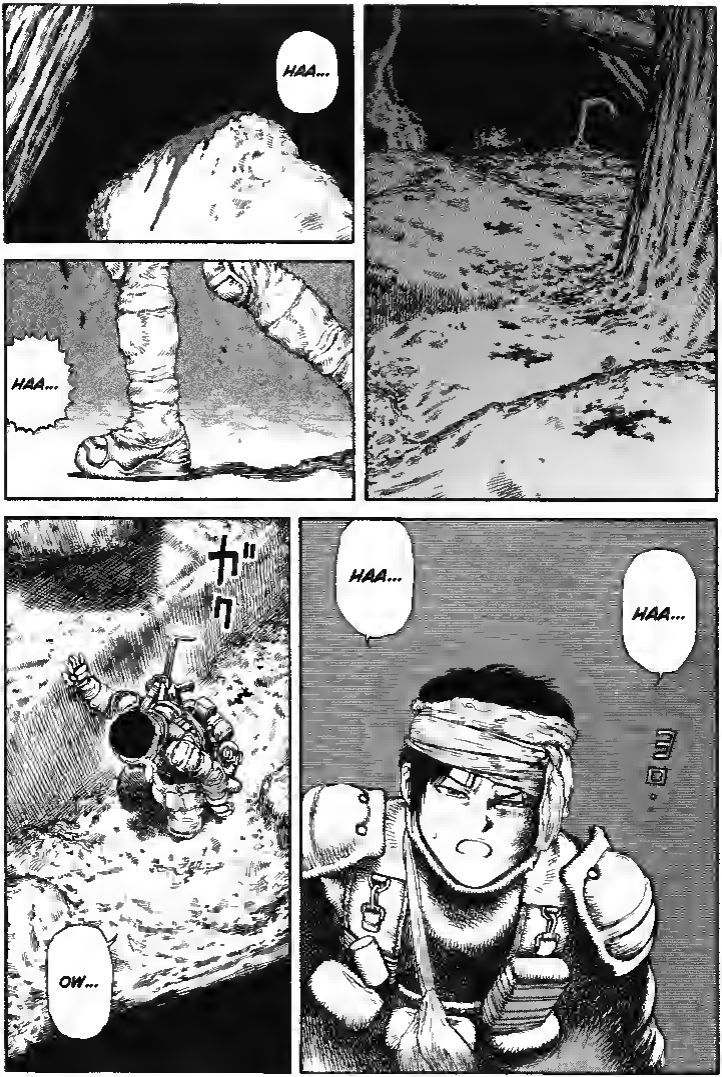

IF I HADN'T BEEN STOPPED THIS TIME, I WOULD'VE DIED
RAH IT'S THE SECOND TIME I FALL.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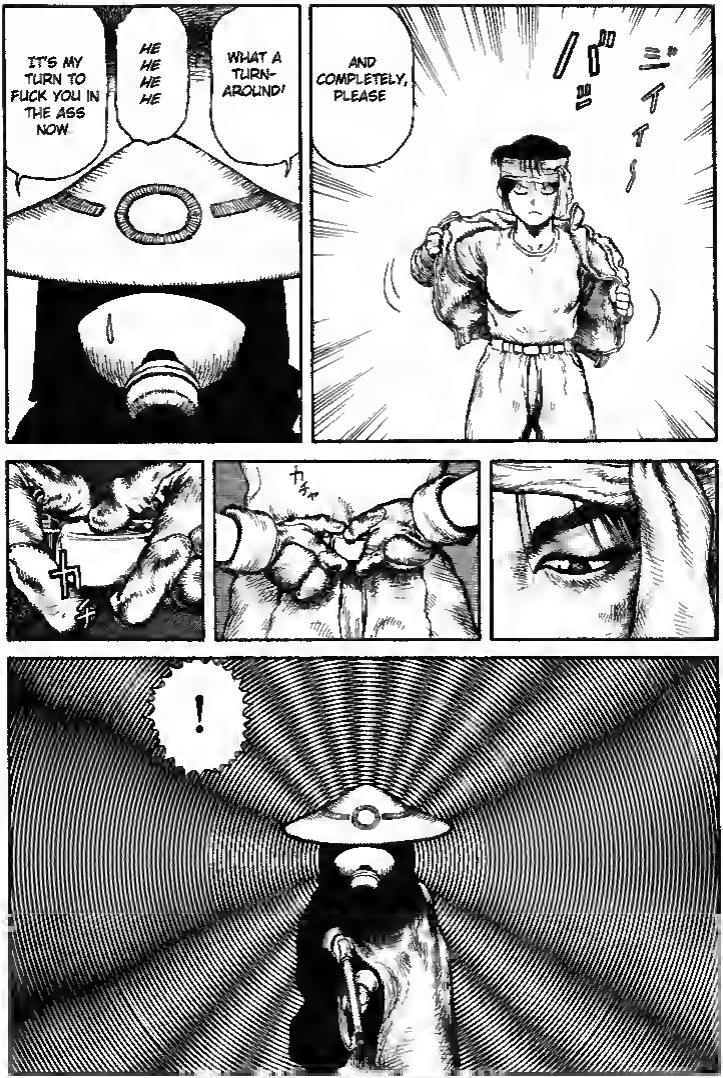
IT'S NOT OVER YET
HE MUST STILL BE ALIVE.
HE'S NOT THE EASY TYPE.
I SUCK TO BE HIT BY A BLIND SHOT...
DAMN, THE ADRENALINE AND MY HEAD-WOUND MAKE ME FEEL DIZZY
ONE LIFE WON'T BE ENOUGH FOR YOU
PFU...
DO EVERYTHING YOU CAN TO BRING HIM BACK ALIVE.
NATSUKO...
IT WOULD BE A SHAME SHOULD YOUR BROTHERS KNEW WHAT YOU'RE DOING

IF YOU ASK THEM, THEY'D BE READY TO WALK INTO THE LION'S DEN...
THOSE FUCKERS.
.....
THEY DON'T WANT TO JOIN YOUR GROUP?
NO! YOU WANT TO SPARE THOSE CLOSE TO YOU?
YOU'RE A GOOD FIGHTER, BUT
DEEP INSIDE, YOU'RE STILL A LITTLE GIRL

IT'S OVER.
DROP YOUR WEAPON
WHAT ARE YOU UP TO?
MY, MY! YOU GIVE UP EASILY
ガチャン
MY MISSION IS TO BRING YOU BACK ALIVE.
WILL YOU UNDRESS NOW...
DON'T WORRY I KEEP MY EYES PEELED
MISS SPECIAL AGENT
TCH...
PFU! YOU DID A POOR JOB UP UNTIL NOW


IT'S MY TURN TO FUCK YOU IN THE ASS NOW
HE HE HE HE
WHAT A TURN-AROUND!
AND COMPLETELY, PLEASE
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YOU BITCH!
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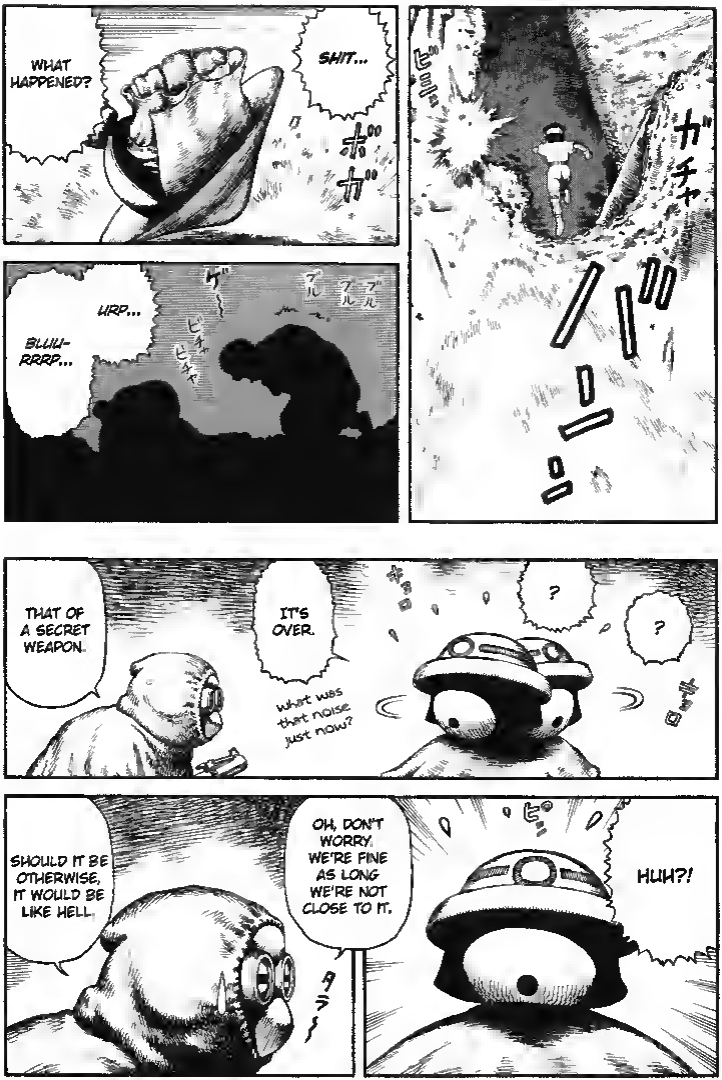
FUCK!
GHAAA...!
AH!


WHAT HAPPENED?
SHIT...
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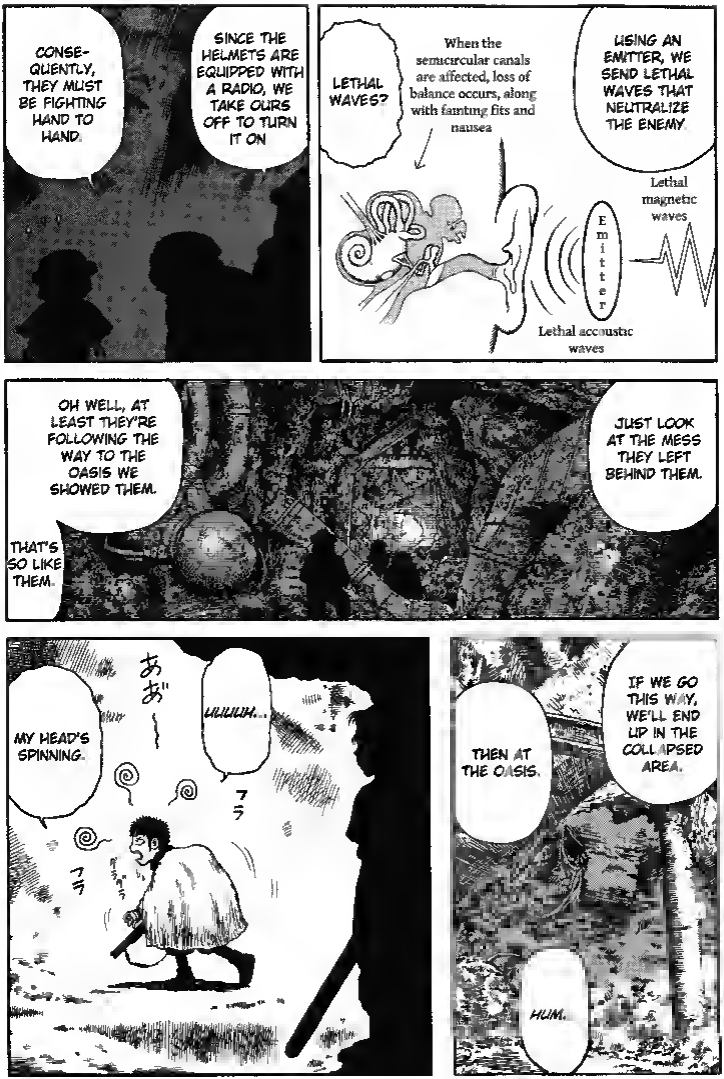
BLUU-RRRP...
THAT OF A SECRET WEAPON.
IT'S OVER.
WHAT WAS THAT NOISE JUST NOW?
SHOULD IT BE OTHERWISE, IT WOULD BE LIKE HELL.
OH, DON'T WORRY. WE'RE FINE AS LONG WE'RE NOT CLOSE TO IT.
HUH?!


CONSE-QUENTLY, THEY MUST BE FIGHTING HAND TO HAND.
SINCE THE HELMETS ARE EQUIPPED WITH A RADIO, WE TAKE OURS OFF TO TURN IT ON
LETHAL WAVES?
When the semicircular canals are affected, loss of balance occurs, along with fainting fits and nausea
USING AN EMITTER, WE SEND LETHAL WAVES THAT NEUTRALIZE THE ENEMY.
Lethal magnetic waves
Emitter
Lethal accoustic waves
OH WELL, AT LEAST THEY'RE FOLLOWING THE WAY TO THE OASIS WE SHOWED THEM.
JUST LOOK AT THE MESS THEY LEFT BEHIND THEM.
THAT'S SO LIKE THEM.
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MY HEAD'S SPINNING.
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IF WE GO THIS WAY, WE'LL END UP IN THE COLLAPSED AREA.
THEN AT THE OASIS.
HUM.

Collapsed area

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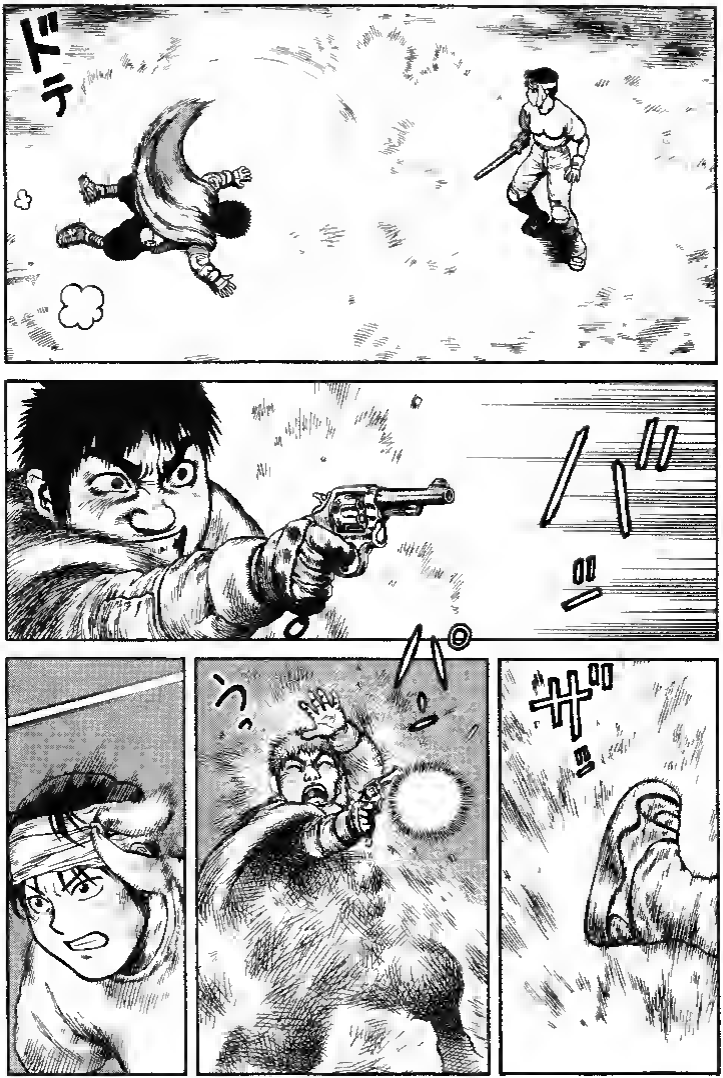
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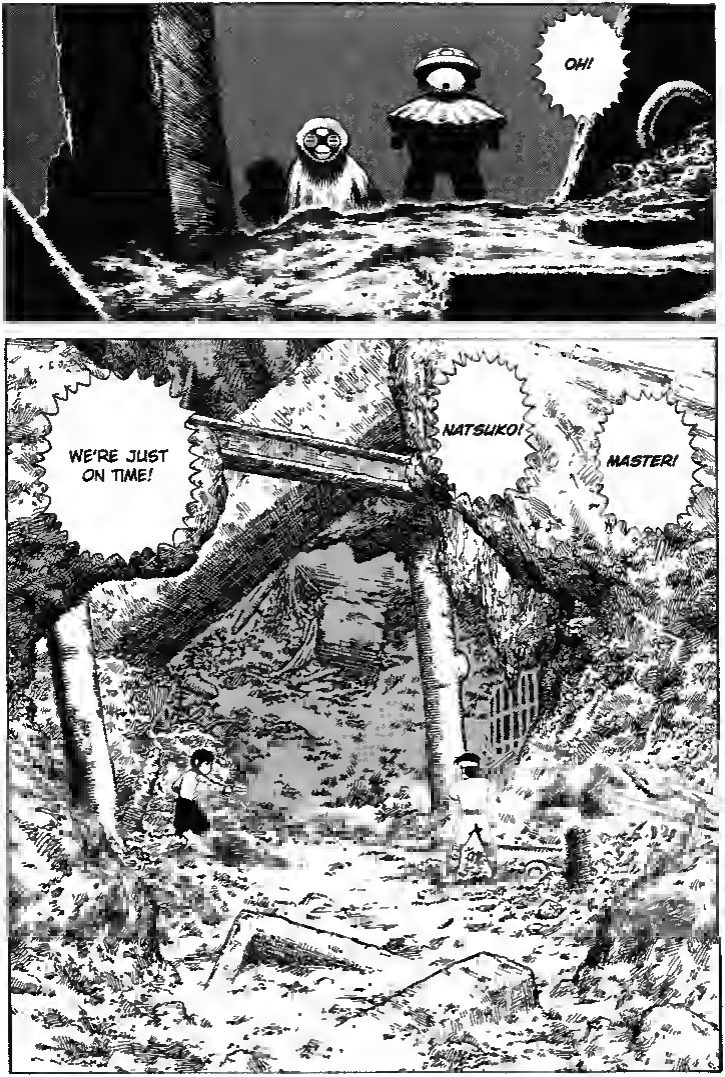
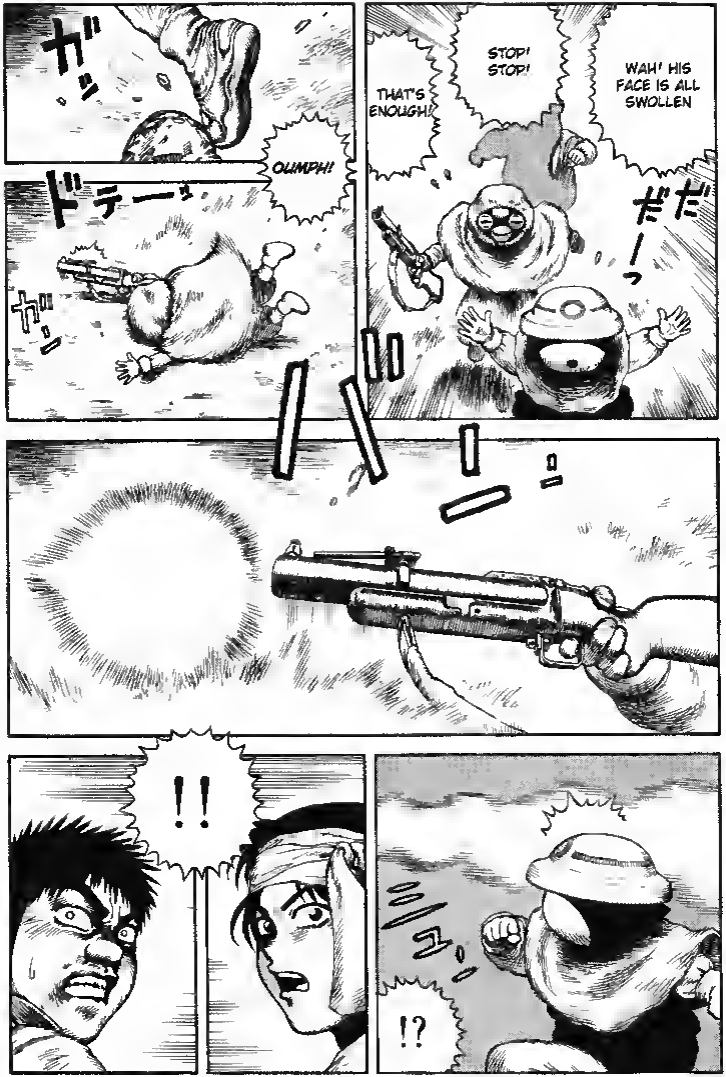
OUCH...
HEHE! IT REMINDS ME...
OF WHEN WE WERE LITTLE
THANKS FOR REFRESHING MY MEMORY.


OH!
WE'RE JUST ON TIME!
NATSUKO!
MASTER!

YOU'RE GOING TO DIE
SERIOUSLY, YOU'RE AS TOUGH AS A COCKROACH
I'D RATHER DIE THAN BEING PUSHED AROUND BY SOME LITTLE SHITHEAD
I DON'T GIVE A SHIT!
AS YOU WISH.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OUMPH!
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THAT'S ENOUGH!
STOP! STOP!
WAH! HIS FACE IS ALL SWOLLEN
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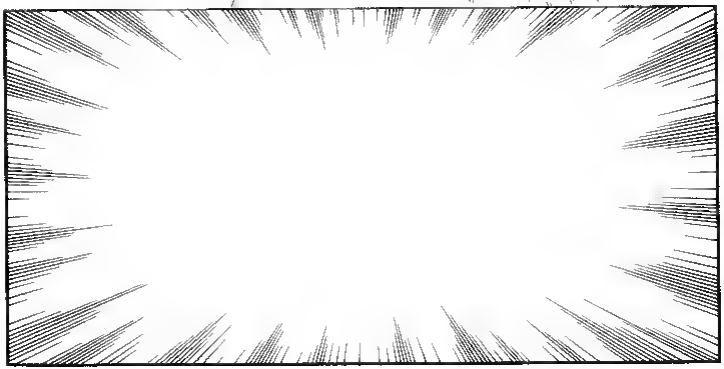

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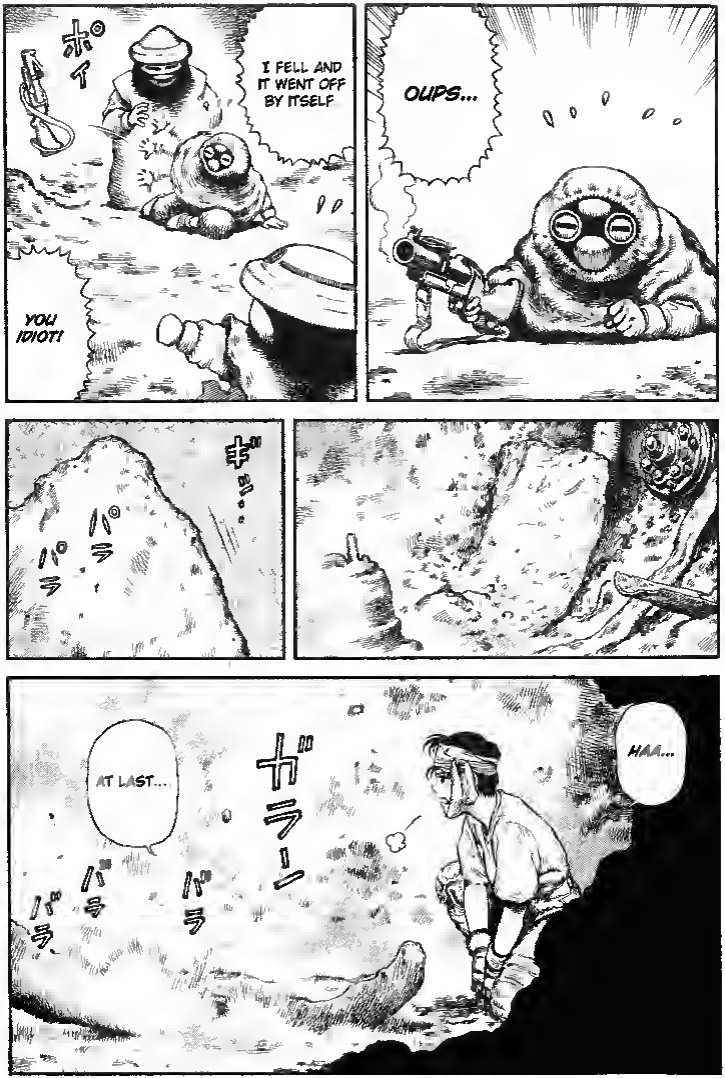
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I FELL AND IT WENT OFF BY ITSELF
YOU IDIOT!
OUPS...
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AT LAST...
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ハラハラ
カラーン
AH!
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ガラガラ
WOAAAH!
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OH GOD!
あわわ
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ズーンズーン
MASTER!

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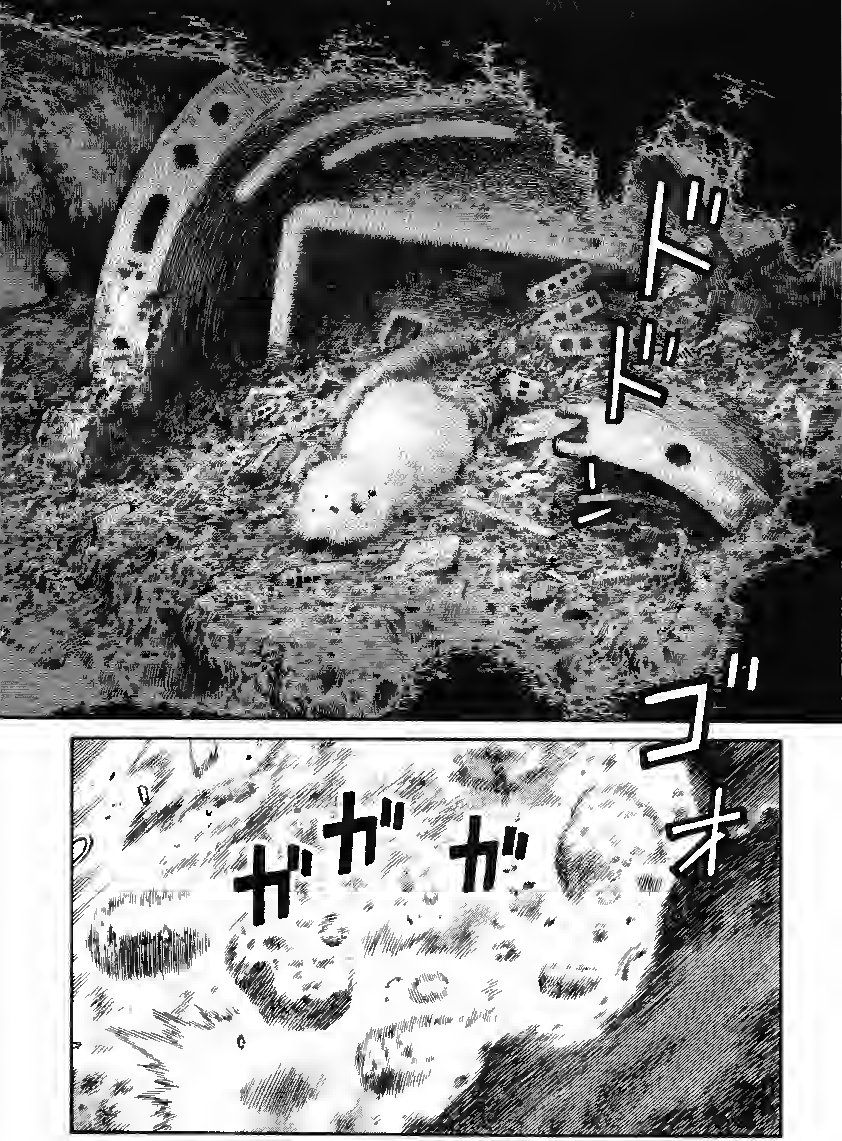
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WAH!
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I'M ALIVE...
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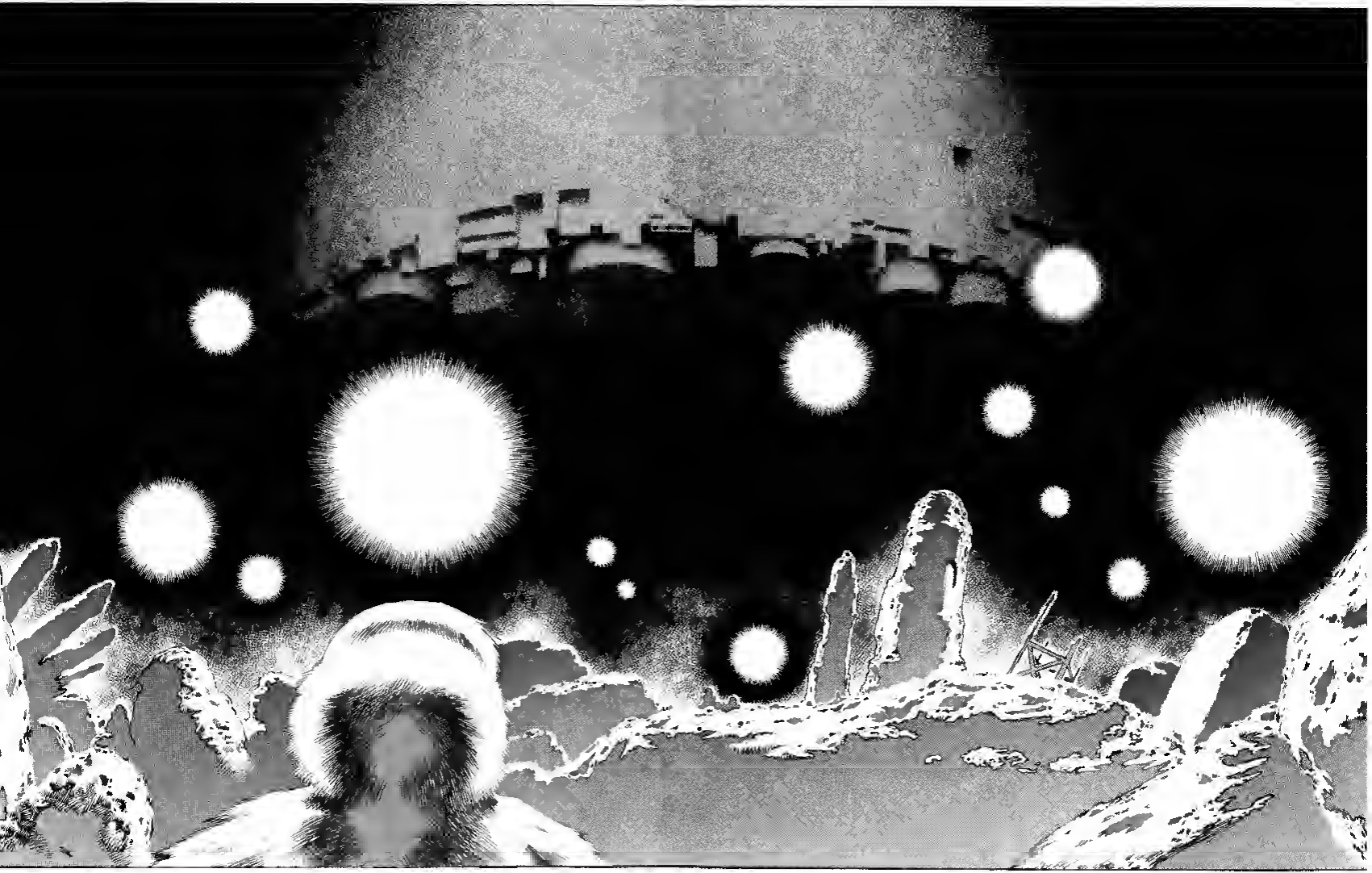
BOUUH...
ガヨッ
OH!



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WE'RE OUT OF THE LABYRINTH ?
IS THAT... THE OASIS ?
AH?!
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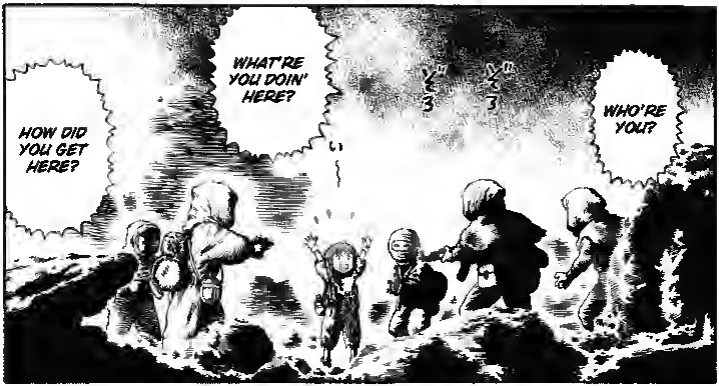
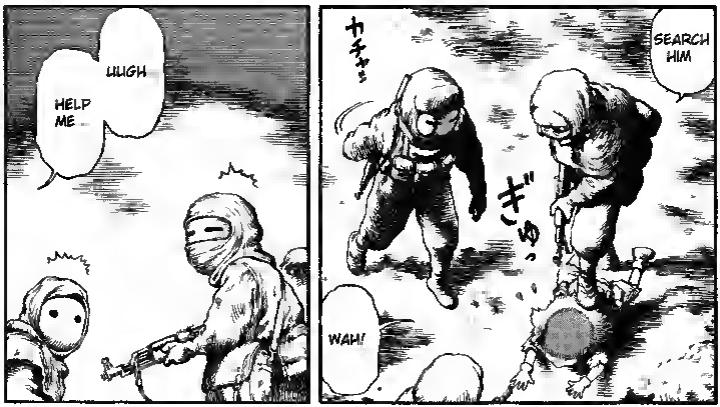
DON'T YOU MOVE!
WAH!


HOW DID YOU GET HERE?
WHAT'RE YOU DOIN' HERE?
WHO'RE YOU?

WHAT IS HE DOING IN THE OASIS UNDER-GROUNDS ?
ONLY A BANDIT CAN STINK LIKE THAT.
IS THAT A BANDIT ?


UUGH
HELP ME...
カチャ
SEARCH HIM
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WAH!

HEY!
HEY!
ガバッ
WAH!
タッ
PROFESSOR ?!
PLEASE
SHE THE ONE YOU TALKED ABOUT?
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カラ
IT'S OK, SHE DOESN'T CARRY ANY WEAPON.
OH!
HEHE!
YOU'RE ALIVE!
NATSUKO AND MY MASTER?
WHERE ARE
IT'S A MIRACLE WE MADE IT OUT ALIVE
THAT WAS A BIG COLLAPSE.

URGH!
HYAA!
BUT THOSE TWO, THEY WERE REALLY CLOSE TO THE EXPLOSION
GHA!
HEY!
OUCH
I'M... I'M SORRY...
YOU FUCKHEADS!
LOOK!
HUH ?!
THEY'RE REALLY COMING BACK FROM HELL!
AND THE BOSS, WHAT HAPPENED TO HER?
waah...
ow..
you damn brat.

BOSS!
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AH?!
WOW...
AS USUAL. WE SAID WE WERE GOING ON A SPECIAL TRAINING AND THEY LET US GO
YES. I DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO CONTACT YOU. HOW DID IT GO FOR YOU?
IS EVERYONE HERE?
WE'VE HURRIED UP SINCE THE INSTRUCTIONS CHANGED.
I DIDN'T WANT TO DIE WITH HIM
PFF...
WITH HER, YOU'RE SURE TO GET OUT OF ANY DESPERATE SITUATION.
IT'S THANKS TO THE BOSS.
IT'S UNBELIEVABLE THAT THEY ALL MADE IT OUT OF THERE IN ONE PIECE

ALL OUR WISHES WILL COME TRUE, IT'S CERTAIN!
WE'RE GOING TO WIN!
Those who went to make contact are they alright ?
YEAH, WHAT ELSE COULD IT BE?!
IT'S A BLOODY MIRACLE!
HE HE HE HE HE
NATSUKO
HE'S NOT GONNA DIE
DON'T WORRY...
WE'RE GONNA TAKE CARE OF HIM
MAS-TER!
MAS-TER!
SHE'S SO GREAT...
AAAH...
Owl
I ONLY DID MY JOB
Thank you.
So much
EVEN THOUGH YOU HATE HIM, YOU SAVED HIS LIFE...

TAIKO...
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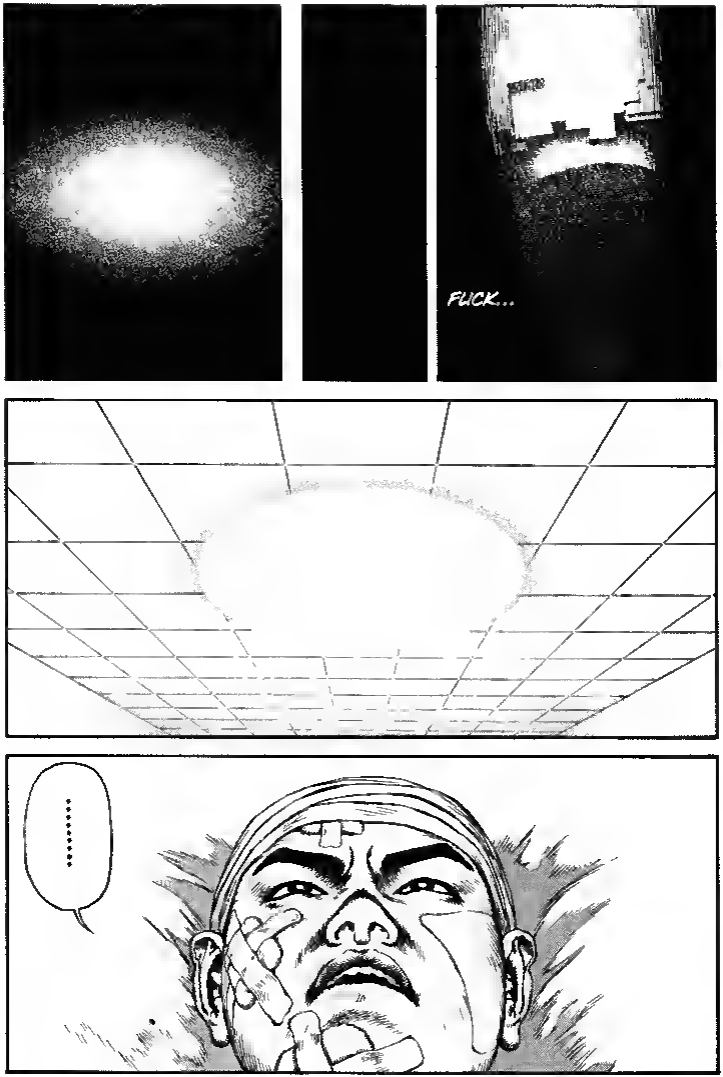
...
I CAN'T MOVE...
WHAT HAP-PENED?
WHERE AM I?
IS THAT THE OASIS?


FUCK...
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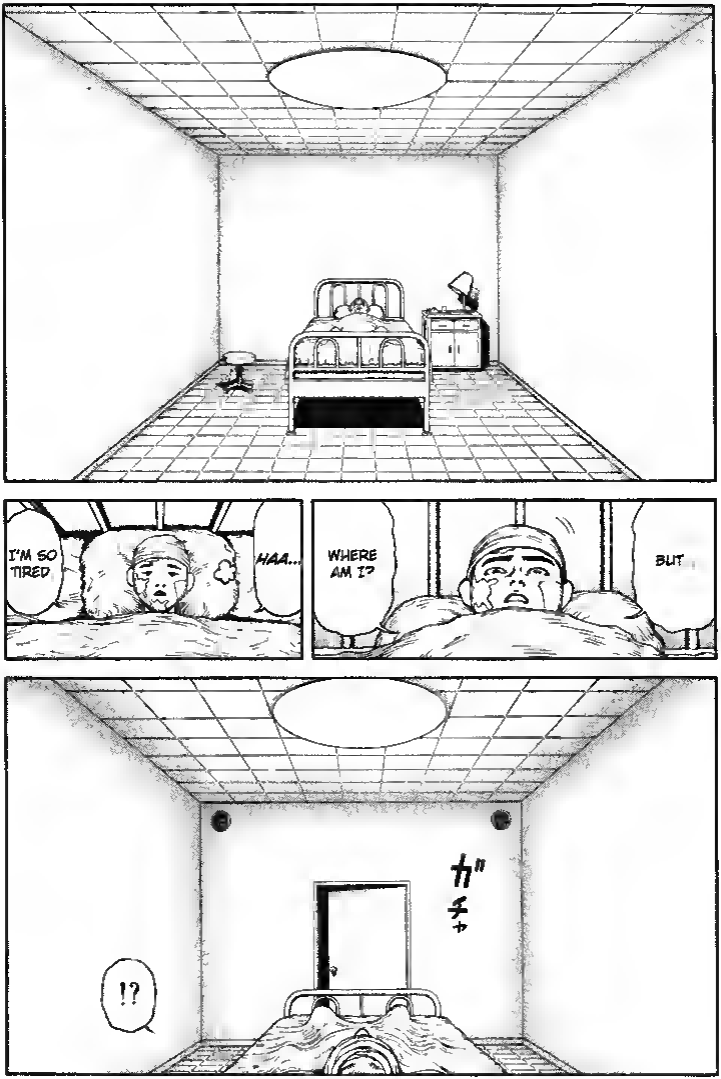
I'M SO TIRED
HAA...
WHERE AM I?
BUT...
!?

ASAGIRI JUNKO...?!
Da da da ♪
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HAA...
MMM...
むぐ"...
HOW ARE YOU?

I'M A NURSE
ISN'T IT OBVIOUS?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
His head was shaved
HUH?!
Yeah!
THEY HIRED ME.
WEREN'T YOU TORTURED TO DEATH BY THE GUYS OF THE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE?
DON'T PLAY DUMB
IN FACT.
HA HA
SILLY YOU!
OOW!
YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE WORRIED LIKE THAT
YOU CAME TO RESCUE ME?
IT SEEMS YOU WENT THROUGH A LOT
WELL, YES...
BUT...

YOUR BODY IS LIKE A GIANT WOUND, AND YOU STILL HAVE FEVER.
YOU MUST REST NOW.
OUCH
THERE YOU GO, A PAINKILLER!
プス
ピクー
Bottom cheek
I'M DEAD?
COULD IT BE THAT...
A NURSE? HER ? SHE'S NOT THE KIND THAT TAKES CARE OF OTHERS.
AM I DREAM-ING?
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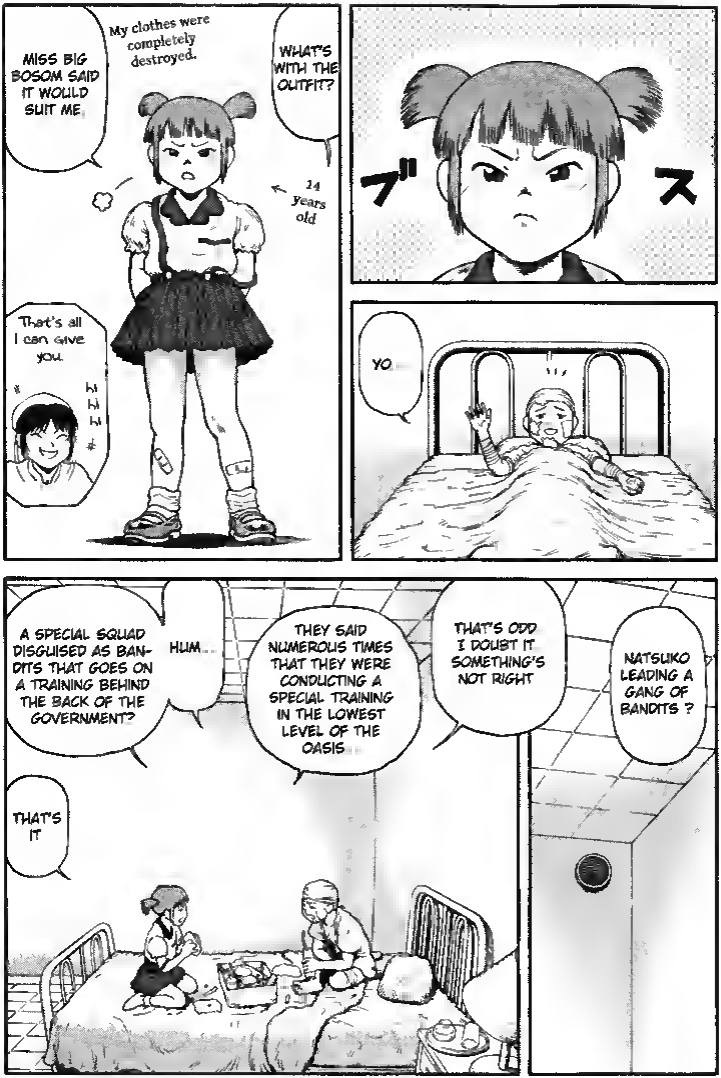
バタン
I'LL COME BACK LATER.
HAA
SHE MUST'VE BEEN TORTURED TO DEATH AND BECAME A NURSE TO REPENT.


MISS BIG BOSOM SAID IT WOULD SUIT ME
My clothes were completely destroyed.
WHAT'S WITH THE OUTFIT?
14 years old
That's all I can give you.
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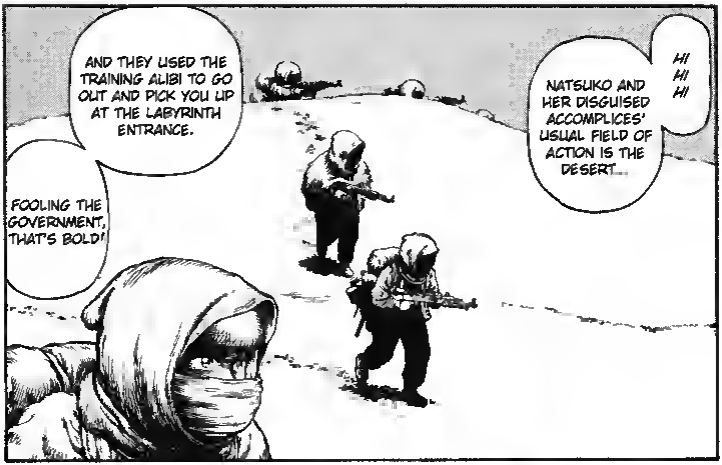
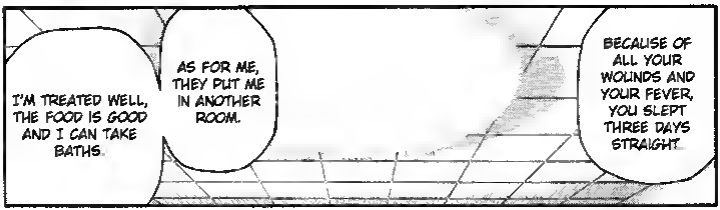
YO...
A SPECIAL SQUAD DISGUISED AS BANDITS THAT GOES ON A TRAINING BEHIND THE BACK OF THE GOVERNMENT?
HUM...
THEY SAID NUMEROUS TIMES THAT THEY WERE CONDUCTING A SPECIAL TRAINING IN THE LOWEST LEVEL OF THE OASIS...
THAT'S ODD I DOUBT IT SOMETHING'S NOT RIGHT
NATSUKO LEADING A GANG OF BANDITS ?
THAT'S IT


AND THEY USED THE TRAINING ALIBI TO GO OUT AND PICK YOU UP AT THE LABYRINTH ENTRANCE.
NATSUKO AND HER DISGUISED ACCOMPLICES' USUAL FIELD OF ACTION IS THE DESERT...
HI! HI! HI!
FOOLING THE GOVERNMENT, THAT'S BOLD!


I'M TREATED WELL, THE FOOD IS GOOD AND I CAN TAKE BATHS.
AS FOR ME, THEY PUT ME IN ANOTHER ROOM.
BECAUSE OF ALL YOUR WOUNDS AND YOUR FEVER, YOU SLEPT THREE DAYS STRAIGHT.

WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN NOW?
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WE'RE AT THE LOWEST FLOOR.
AT FIRST SIGHT, IT SEEMS MODEST.
YES
SO, WE'RE INSIDE THE OASIS?

OK
EH?
JUST STUFF YOUR FACE AND SLEEP AS MUCH AS YOU CAN
NO NEED TO WORRY
RIGHT, SO I'M NOT DREAMING AND I'M NOT DEAD
OH WELL, DOESN'T MAKE MUCH OF A DIFFERENCE.
THAT'S HORRIBLE
MY STOMACH..
AAH, IT HURTS...
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COME IN.
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.....
DO I NEED TO SHOW YOU MY ASS TO THANK YOU FOR SAVING MY LIFE?
WHAT?

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I'M SORRY...
ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU
MY NAME IS IKEDA I'M A SPECIALIST...
OF THE ANKOKU ERA...
AH, YOU'RE THE OLD MAN
SO YOU'RE FINALLY SHOWING YOUR TRUE FACE
DOES THIS MEAN...
THAT YOU DON'T NEED TO BE MASKED ANYMORE?
HAS THE TIME OF THE CAPITAL PUNISHMENT COME?

EHEH! ALWAYS THE SAME...
THIS SUNABO-ZU
IF WE INTENDED TO KILL YOU, WE WOULDN'T BE HEALING YOU.
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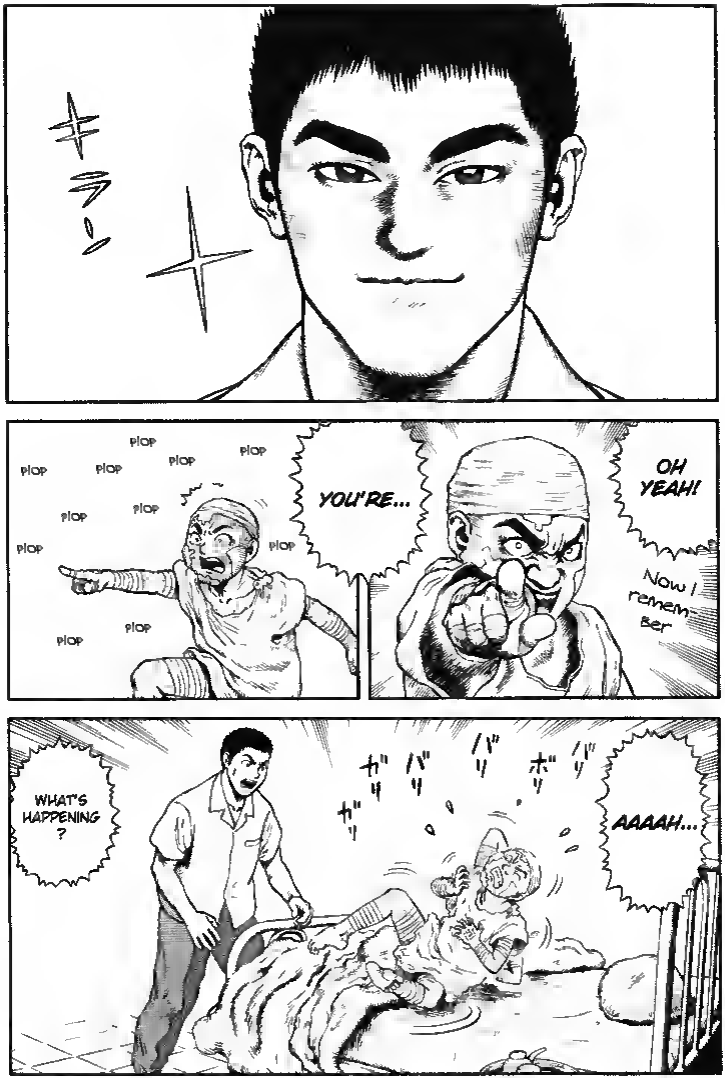
HUH?
I know this guy, but from where?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PIOP
PIOP
PIOP
YOU'RE...
OH YEAH!
Now I remember
WHAT'S HAPPENING?
AAAAH...

22nd/23rd chapters
THE MISTER CLEAN WHO WANTS TO DEFEND THE WEAK AND DISCOURAGE THE STRONG!
THE DESERTER FROM THE OASIS!
MASARU KAIDO!
HAPPY TO SEE YOU AGAIN!
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He is cleanliness-intolerant.

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HE WAS RESCUED A MOMENT LATER.
MASTER, DIDN'T YOU SELL HIM TO A GAY SLAVER?
A RICH MAN'S SON WILL ALWAYS BE A RICH MAN'S SON.
PFUI!
While feeling ashamed
BUT I WAS STILL UNDER ITS SURVEILLANCE
AT THAT TIME, I WANTED TO CUT ALL RELATIONS WITH THE OASIS AND LIVE HOW I WISHED TO...

HAHA! I'M ONLY A SUBORDINATE
SINCE YOU SAY YOU WANT TO HELP THE WEAK
BY ANY CHANCE, ARE YOU THE HEAD OF THE OPPOSITION?
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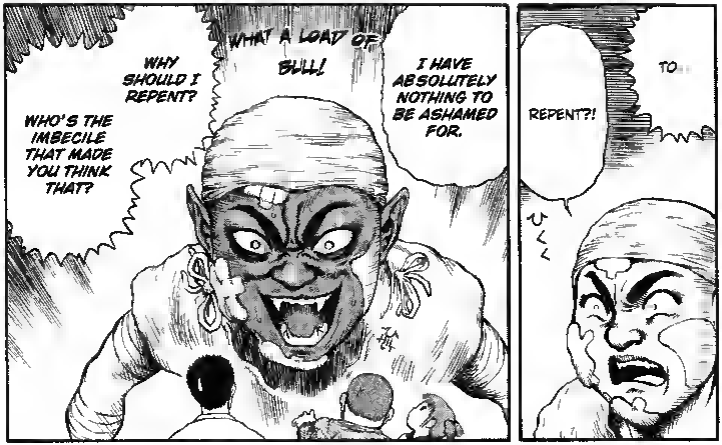
WE DON'T GIVE A FUCK ABOUT ALL THAT.
WE WERE SURE WE HAD MADE THE RIGHT CHOICE.
OUR PLAN WAS TAKING THE HUMAN SIDE OF YOUR PERSONALITY INTO ACCOUNT...
HOW CAN WE APOLOGIZE?
ME TOO, THANKS TO YOU.
WE'VE GOT BIGGER PROBLEMS.

THE WORST WAS AVOIDED
IT WAS FORTUNATE THAT OUR BOSS SAW IT COMING
PHEW...
WE GRABBED THAT OPPORTUNITY TO GET US CIVILIANS ORGANISED
HOWEVER, AFTER THE UZUMAKI AFFAIR, WHEN WE LEARNED THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAD BETRAYED YOU
AND AT LAST HE APPEARED
WE WERE WAITING FOR A SUPERMAN TO JOIN OUR GROUP
OH YEAH?
ACTUALLY, WE CONSIDER YOU AS A PERSON OF GREAT VALUE.
CAN'T WE HOPE THAT SUCH AN INDIVIDUAL WILL JOIN US TO REPENT?
SUNABO-ZU IS THE MOST NASTY MERCENARY IN THE DESERT


I HAVE ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO BE ASHAMED FOR.
WHAT A LOAD OF BULL!
WHY SHOULD I REPENT?
WHO'S THE IMBECILE THAT MADE YOU THINK THAT?
TO
REPENT?!
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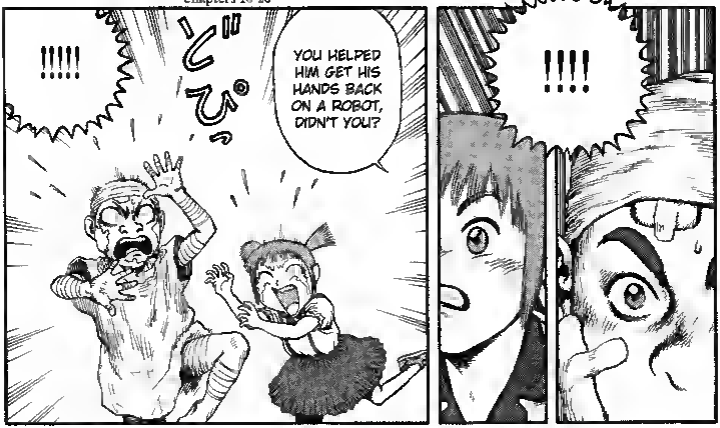

WE'VE BEEN SOLD!
WE'RE SCREWED!
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OH, NO!
TO THE GOVERNMENT, YOU KNEW YOU'D BE CONSIDERED A FENCE
BY NOT GIVING YOUR DISCOVERY
I DIDN'T BETRAY THE GOVERNMENT
IT WAS A MISTAKE TO INVOLVE ME
L... LISTEN...
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HEY!
N... NOT SO FAST!
ドゥ...
YOU MAKE A PRETTY GOOD TRAITOR.
RECEIVING MONEY IN EXCHANGE FOR YOUR SILENCE IS NO SMALL MATTER...

THE GOVERNMENT DOESN'T KNOW ANYTHING
DON'T WORRY, ONLY OUR SUPPORTERS KNOW ABOUT THE ROBOT AFFAIR.
YOU'RE SCARED, AREN'T YOU?
HEHE! HE'S VEXED.
You're one to talk.
AND WHAT ABOUT YOU? YOU'RE AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT TOO!
HOU!
YOU SON OF A !
.....
AH, OK..
NO, WE'VE KNOWN ABOUT IT FOR A LONG TIME
YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT JUNKO ?
"MISS BIG BOSOM" ?
IT'S MISS BIG BOSOM WHO TOLD YOU EVERYTHING, ISN'T IT?
IT'S LIKE I'M SURFING ON A DUNE
ER.. I'M FEELING DIZZY
YES, OUR GROUP KEEPS AN EYE ON KAIZUKA SAN'S COMPANY TO PREVENT ANY LEAK CONCERNING THAT ROBOT.
WHAT?
IF YOU STAYED ALIVE UP UNTIL NOW, IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE UNDER OUR PROTECTION

EVEN IF OUR INFLUENCE GROWS, HIS SUPPORT WILL BE VALUABLE.
THAT MAN ALSO HAS A LOT OF CONNECTIONS.
THAT KAZUKI, HE'S SMART.
AS FOR US, WITH THE RESOURCES WE'VE DISCOVERED UNDERGOUND, WE'LL BE MORE POWERFUL
KAIZUKA SAN HAS THE ROBOT AS WELL AS AN EXTENSIVE TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE
THAT'S NOT SERIOUS COMING FROM HIM.
HMMM
THAT GUY'S A MORON TO LISTEN TO SOME DUBIOUS HEARSAY.
PFU... NO MATTER HOW GOOD HE IS...
ALL IN ALL, HE TRIES TO USE US AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE
TO TELL THE TRUTH, HE MUDDIED THE WATERS BY NOT GIVING A STRAIGHT ANSWER
HEHE! THAT'S MORE LIKE HIM.

BUT WE DON'T HAVE ANY GUARANTEE TO GIVE IN RETURN.
WE NEED HIS SUPPORT.
HOWEVER, EVEN IF HE THINKS THAT WAY .

TO KNOW THE ULTERIOR MOTIVES OF THAT OLD FART.
TO THINK WE ALMOST KICKED THE BUCKET. .

I SEE.
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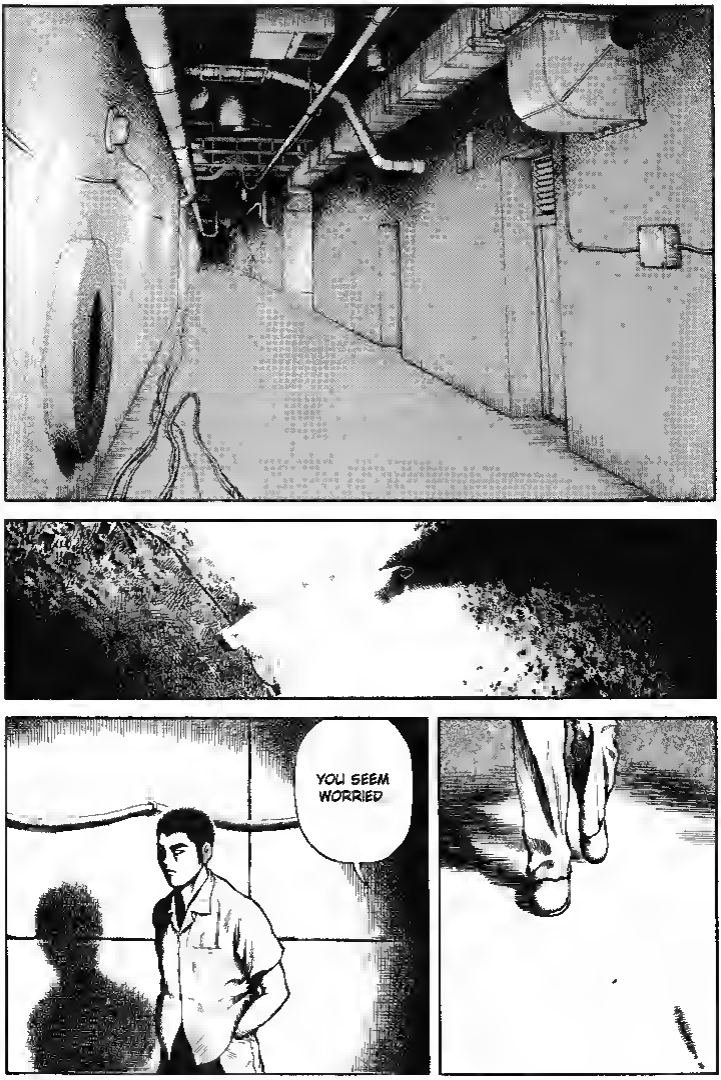
IT WOULD MAKE MORE SENSE TO DIE LAUGHING AT FLIES' FARTS.
HUH?!
ALL OF THIS IS BULLSHIT.
BUNCH OF DUMBASS.


YOU SEEM WORRIED

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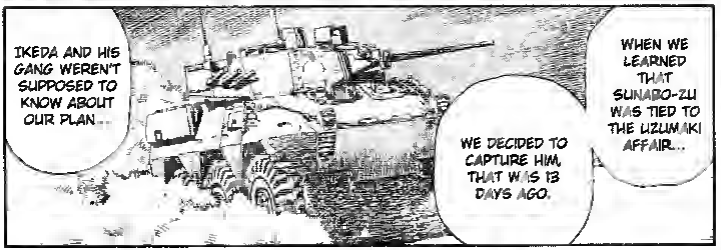
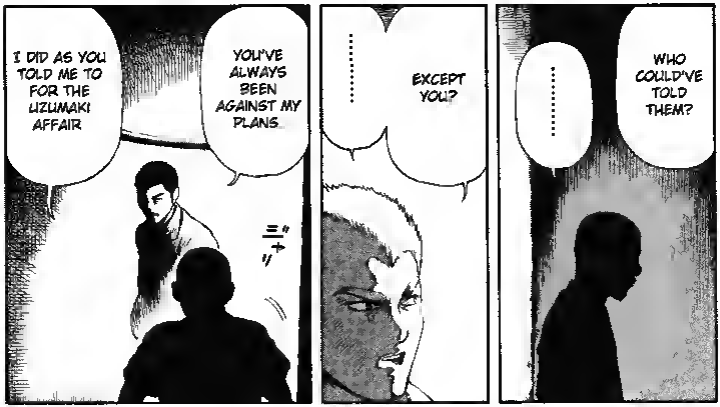
THERE ARE A LOT OF WAYS TO CRACK THIS NUT.


IKEDA AND HIS GANG WEREN'T SUPPOSED TO KNOW ABOUT OUR PLAN...
WE DECIDED TO CAPTURE HIM. THAT WAS 13 DAYS AGO.
WHEN WE LEARNED THAT SUNABO-ZU WAS TIED TO THE UZUMAKI AFFAIR...


I DID AS YOU TOLD ME TO FOR THE UZUMAKI AFFAIR
YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN AGAINST MY PLANS.
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EXCEPT YOU?
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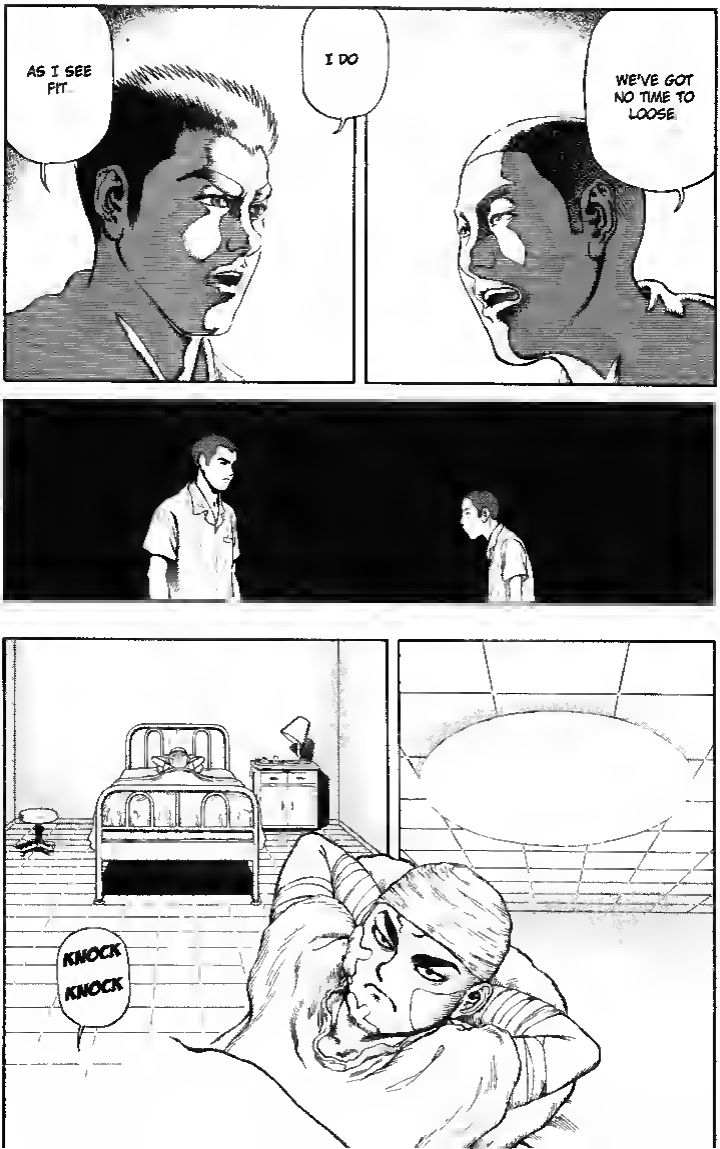
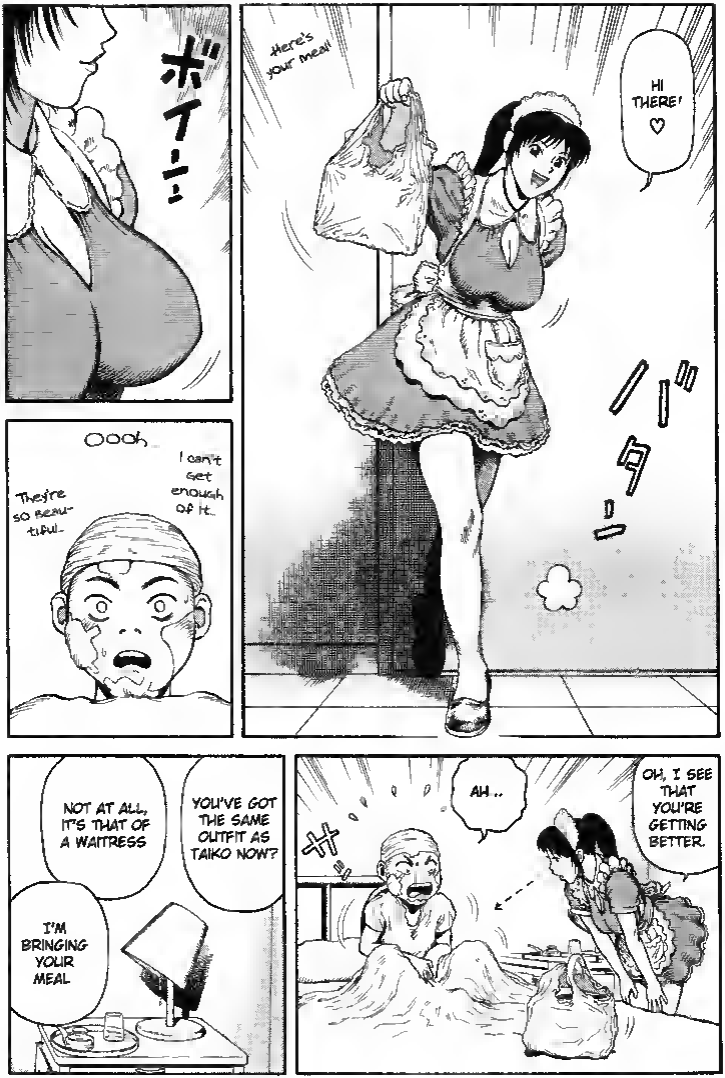
WHO COULD'VE TOLD THEM?

AND THE WHOLE GROUP WAS PUT IN DANGER.
BUT WE ALMOST LOST AN ASSET OF GREAT VALUE.
WE DID GET OUR HANDS ON HIM SOONER THAN EXPECTED
WHAT'S THE PROB-LEM?
THE PROBLEM ISN'T YOUR POINT OF VIEW.
WE AGREED ON TAKING NO RISK AT ALL
THAT IS, IF SOME OPTIMISTIC GUY HADN'T SAID TO DO IT LATER.
ON THAT DAY, I WOULD'VE CAPTURED JUNKO ASAGIRI AND SUNABO-ZU ..
I KNOW. THAT'S WHY WE USED IKEDA
WE AGREED NOT TO DO IT THE OLD WAY


AS I SEE FIT
I DO
WE'VE GOT NO TIME TO LOOSE
KNOCK KNOCK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Here's your meal!
HI THERE! ♡
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Oooh...
They're so beautiful.
I can't get enough of it.
YOU'VE GOT THE SAME OUTFIT AS TAIKO NOW?
NOT AT ALL, IT'S THAT OF A WAITRESS
I'M BRINGING YOUR MEAL
AH..
OH, I SEE THAT YOU'RE GETTING BETTER.

DON'T BE SO SURE.
IT'S NOT GOING TO LAST LONG.
I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT YOU JOINED THEIR GROUP.
HUM...
SAY, THEY DIDN'T ASK YOU TO CONVINCE ME, DID THEY?
モグ モグ
THAT WOULD BE POINTLESS THE GOVERNMENT WOULD CRUSH THEM
THEY HOPE TO MASS PRODUCE A ROBOT AND SELL IT BEHIND THE BACK OF THE GOVERNMENT.
It's scary.
YOU THINK SO?
WHAT THEY WANT TO ACCOMPLISH IS INTERESTING

?
IT'S FOR THE ELECTIONS.
HERE, ONLY A HANDFUL OF OLD MEN AMONG THE SENIOR OFFICIALS
CAN BE CANDIDATES.
WITH THE MAJORITY OF THE VOTES.
YOU KNOW, WHEN YOU CHOOSE AN OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE, LIKE THE HEAD OF A VILLAGE...
選挙
AMONG OTHER THINGS, THEY HAVE A LOT OF PROJECTS
THE ROBOT WOULD ONLY BE A MEAN TO WIN THE ELECTION
IF THEY REGROUPED, IT'S ONLY TO MAKE IT SO THAT THE CANDIDATE THEY SUPPORT WILL WIN.
AND THE ONE THAT GETS ELECTED WILL RULE THE OASIS THE WAY HE WANTS. IT'S CRAZY, DON'T YOU THINK?
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TO GIVE CIVILIANS THE RIGHT TO VOTE.
WHY ARE THEY TRYING SO HARD?
CIVILIANS AREN'T CONCERNED BY THESE ELECTIONS
WHAT ARE IKEDA AND HIS GANG DOING?
THAT'S WHAT THEY TOLD ME WHEN I JOINED THEIR GROUP.
THE DESERT'S INHABITANTS COULD VOTE?
I WANT TO IMPROVE THE LIVING CONDITIONS IN THE DESERT.
I WANT TO HELP THE WEAK.

!?
SAY...
DON'T YOU WANT TO HELP US?
IF THEIR CANDIDATE
IS ELECTED, WE COULD EARN A LOT OF MONEY
WHAT'S MORE, YOU DON'T REALLY HAVE ANY OTHER ALTERNATIVE.

BEING THIS STUBBORN WON'T GET YOU ANY-WHERE
JUST PRETEND TO BE ONE OF THEM. IN MY OPINION, YOU SHOULD JUST USE THEM.
PLUS, YOU'RE FAR MORE INTELLIGENT THAN THEM.
ARE YOU LISTENING TO ME?
Wow, it's And firm! heavy!
WILL YOU BE MY WIFE IF WE MAKE MONEY OUT OF IT?
IT DEPENDS HOW MUCH.
WHO SAID SHE WOULDN'T FALL IN LOVE WITH ME?
LET BYGONES BE BYGONES. I ONLY HAVE THE FUTURE IN MIND.
SLEEP ON IT ♡

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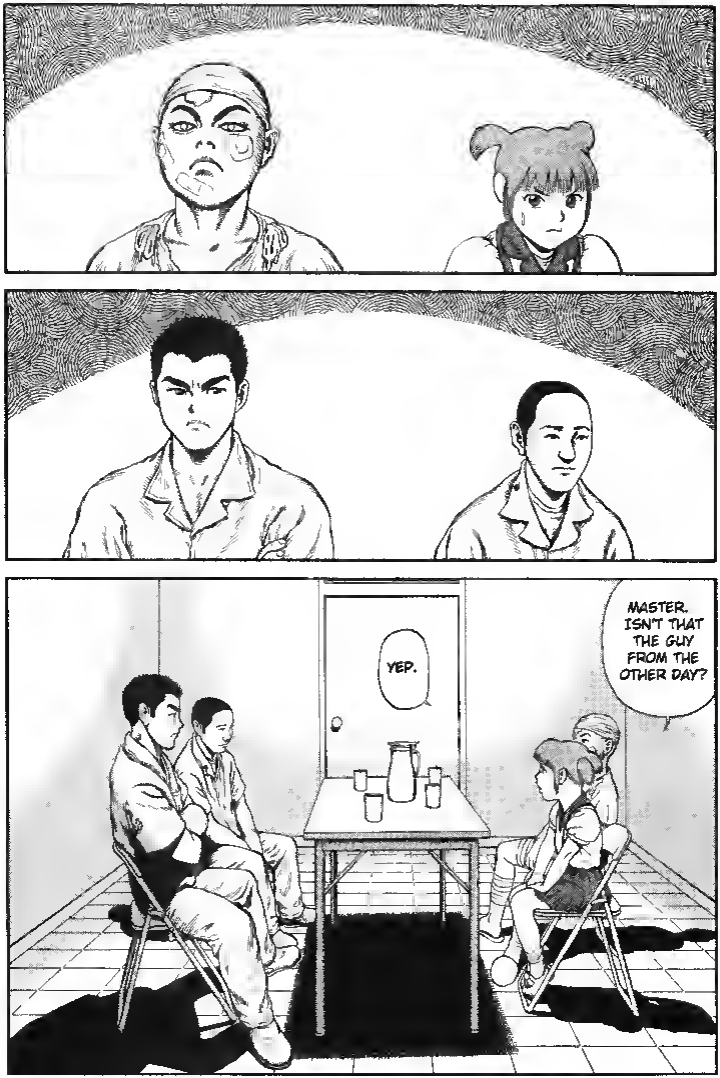
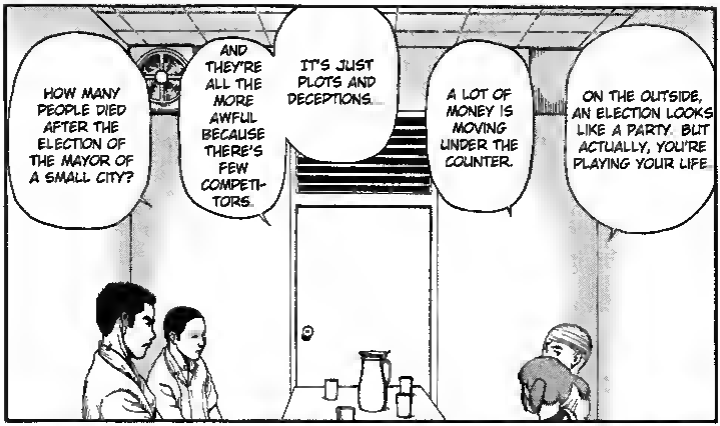

MASTER. ISN'T THAT THE GUY FROM THE OTHER DAY?
YEP.

IT'S JUST THAT, JUNKO IS HANGING ROUND ME
YOU DON'T SEEM AFFECTED
THE ONE WHO TORE UP OUR CONTRACT.
I KNEW IT!
EVERYTHING STARTED WITH THE UZUMAKI AFFAIR?
SO..
KAMEIDO IS ONE OF US
NICE TO MEET YOU
OUR ORGANIZATION IS FAR FROM BEING IMPORTANT... WE'RE STILL AT AN EARLY STAGE
THE MACHINE ISN'T ON YET.
BUT THAT WASN'T PLANNED LIKE THIS
YOU COULD SAY THAT
YES
WELL...

MY, MY... I'M INVOLVED IN A STORY AS SILLY AS THAT OF THE GIRL WHO PUT HER FINGER IN THE ASS OF A GUY WITH THE FLU AND SAYS "I'VE FOUND OIL!"
IF I REFUSE TO HELP YOU, YOU KILL ME.
I'M LIKE THE BEETLE THAT PISSES ITSELF WHILE ROLLING HIS DUNG
D'OH ?!
こほほ～
YOU'RE DIVIDED.
HOW CAN YOU TALK OF ORGANIZATION?
IT'S FOR THE RIGHT TO VOTE, ISN'T IT?
JUNKO TOLD ME.
HE'S SO FUNNY!
HAHAHAHA
IDIOT!
DOING A COUP WOULD BE EASIER.
Don't talk nonsense.
BUT THE RIGHT TO VOTE DOESN'T INTEREST ME ANY MORE THAN GOING TO A CHARITY FAIR.
I THOUGHT YOU WERE TERRORISTS OR THAT YOU WERE PLANNING A COUP


HOW MANY PEOPLE DIED AFTER THE ELECTION OF THE MAYOR OF A SMALL CITY?
AND THEY'RE ALL THE MORE AWFUL BECAUSE THERE'S FEW COMPETITORS.
IT'S JUST PLOTS AND DECEPTIONS.
A LOT OF MONEY IS MOVING UNDER THE COUNTER.
ON THE OUTSIDE, AN ELECTION LOOKS LIKE A PARTY. BUT ACTUALLY, YOU'RE PLAYING YOUR LIFE.

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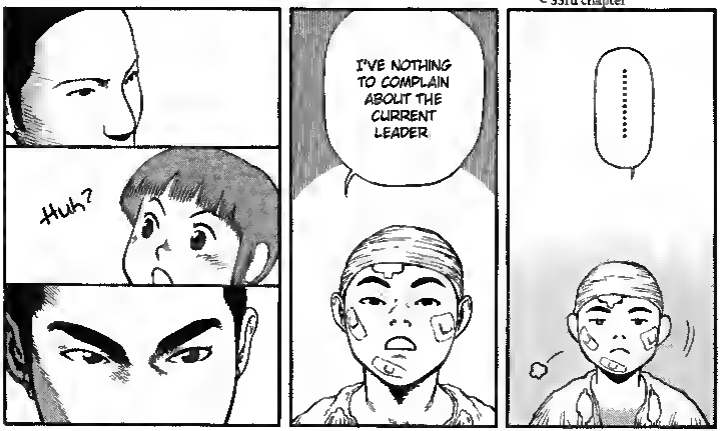

CHEMICALS, ELECTRICAL SPARE PARTS
I'M GRATEFUL FOR THAT
All of the supplies (balls of health food, white and black)
white ball: one ration per meal, black ball: one ration per day
White ball
Black ball
Vitamin ball
Minerals ball
THE FOOD, WATER, VITAMINES, MEDICA-MENTS.
THE OASIS GIVES US THE MINIMUM TO SURVIVE IN THE DESERT
WE WOULDN'T LIKE YOU TO JOIN UP WITH THE OTHER SIDE.
PEOPLE CAN ONLY RELY ON THEMSELVES TO AVOID STARVATION.
THEY WON'T GIVE YOU ANYTHING ELSE.
BUT THAT'S ALL.
WHAT DO YOU INTEND TO DO?
IF THE OLD GEEZER YOU SUPPORT IS ELECTED. .
PFF...
THE LAW OF THE FITTEST, EH?
IT'S FINE BY ME.

SPIT IT OUT!
.....
I JUST DON'T GET ALL THIS CRAP...
What's normal like?
? ? ?
AS YOU KNOW, AN INTENSE DISRUPTION OCCURED DURING THE ANKOKU ERA IT HAS AFFECTED THE WHOLE PLANET.
THE KANTO VALLEY WAS PROBABLY TRANSFORMED INTO A DESERT AROUND THAT TIME
SINCE THE ECOLOGICAL BALANCE WAS RUINED...
SOME SAY THAT THE FORCES OF NATURE WILL EVENTUALLY RESTORE IT LITTLE BY LITTLE
HMM...
THAT HUMAN CAN LIVE IN A BETTER ENVIRONMENT

THEN THE EARTH WOULD NEED SEVERAL THOUSANDS OF YEARS TO GET BACK TO ITS ORIGINAL STATE
NEED QUITE SOME PATIENCE!
IN OTHER WORDS, DO NOTHING.
THE OOTAKI PARTY ENCOURAGES NONINTERFERENCE
TO CHANGE THE DESERT INTO A FERTILE PLAIN AGAIN
REINTRODUCE THE TECHNICS FROM THE ANKOKU ERA...
AND COMPARED TO OOTAKI'S, WHAT'S YOUR POLICY LIKE?
ONCE I'VE COMPLETED MY MISSION, YOU'RE GOING TO KILL ME, AREN'T YOU?
AND THEN, WHEN I'VE SEEN KAIZUKA, WHAT WILL YOU DO?
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I SEE
Huuuh?
WE COULD IMPROVE THE LIVING CONDITIONS RATHER QUICKLY

WE'RE SHORT-HANDED.
WE NEED SOMEONE LIKE YOU, SOMEONE ABLE TO GET BY ALONE IN THE DESERT
WE HAVE TONS OF THINGS FOR YOU TO DO.
A'RIGHT, I WILL...
COOPERATE.
Aah
YOU'RE GONNA HELP THE WEAK SIDE BY SIDE WITH KAIDO?
RRRACH!
SPLIT!

MY ONLY CHOICE IS TO JOIN FORCES WITH YOU.
IF I REFUSE, YOU KILL ME IF I ESCAPE, SAME THING.
WHAT MADE YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND?
.....
LESSEE, MONEY...
WHAT DO YOU HOPE FOR?
Fair enough.
IS THERE ANYTHING CERTAIN IN THIS WORLD?
HOW CAN WE BE SURE YOU WON'T BETRAY US?

BEYOND THE KAIZUKA AFFAIR, YOU'RE ATTACHED TO SUNABO-ZU
I HAVE THE IMPRESSION THAT

HE'S YOUR OPPOSITE.
I'll give you 10000 yen for touching them!
Hyaa. That's not enough!
Tss.
IF I MAKE A MISTAKE...
THAT GUY, HE CAN CORRECT ME.
HM...
.....

I THINK THAT MY MASTER HAS, ONCE AGAIN, SUCCUMBED TO JUNKO'S CHARMS.

AFTER BECOMING FRIENDS WITH THE ELDERS, EVEN IF MANY THINGS WEREN'T CLEAR, WE LEFT THE OASIS ALONG WITH JUNKO AND OUR MONEY, AS AGREED.

I UNDERSTOOD AFTERWARD HOW BIG HIS AMBITION WAS, AND IT GAVE ME THE SHIVERS.

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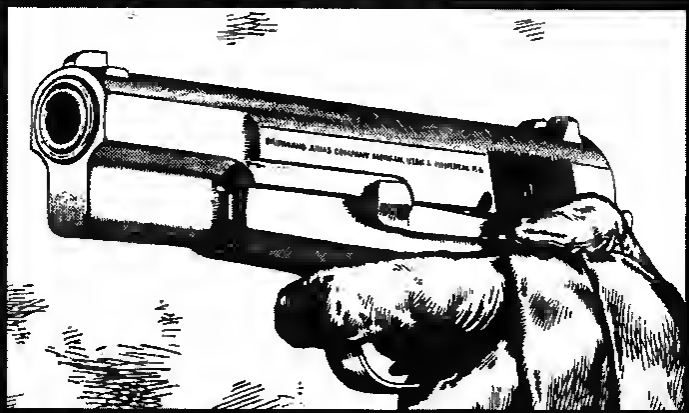
I really hesitated to include a rifle I like, the K1-A1. Since its worksmanship is similar to that of the M-16, I thought it would be too fragile to be used in the desert. On the other hand, without second thoughts, I used models with rotative bolts while it's ill advised to use them in the desert, like the XM (a sort of mini M-16).
While I'm at it, it's better to entrust your weapon to someone who's capable of keeping it in good shape. Anywoo, what's important is that I like this rifle.

High Power – 40 S&W (Belgium)

Total length:	200 mm	Caliber:	40 S&W
Barrel length:	119 mm	Mechanism:	Short recoil
Weight:	———	Rifling:	6 grooves to the right



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※ Ljungman system : direct impingement gas system. Compared to the regular gas-operated system, the cleaning is more delicate.

High Power – 40 S&W (Belgium)

Total length:	838 mm (grip folded 645 mm)	Caliber:	5,56 mm X 45
Barrel length:	———	Mechanism	semi-automatic gas-operated
Weight:	2880g	Rifling:	6 grooves to the right

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Type 56 (China)

Total length:	872 mm	Caliber:	7,62 mm X 39
Barrel length:	414 mm	Mechanism:	semi-automatic gas-operated
Weight:	3870g	Rifling:	4 grooves to the right

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Sunabo-Zu agrees to cooperate with the objectors, but his real motivation is...

You'll discover it in the 9th volume.

Patience, patience !

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